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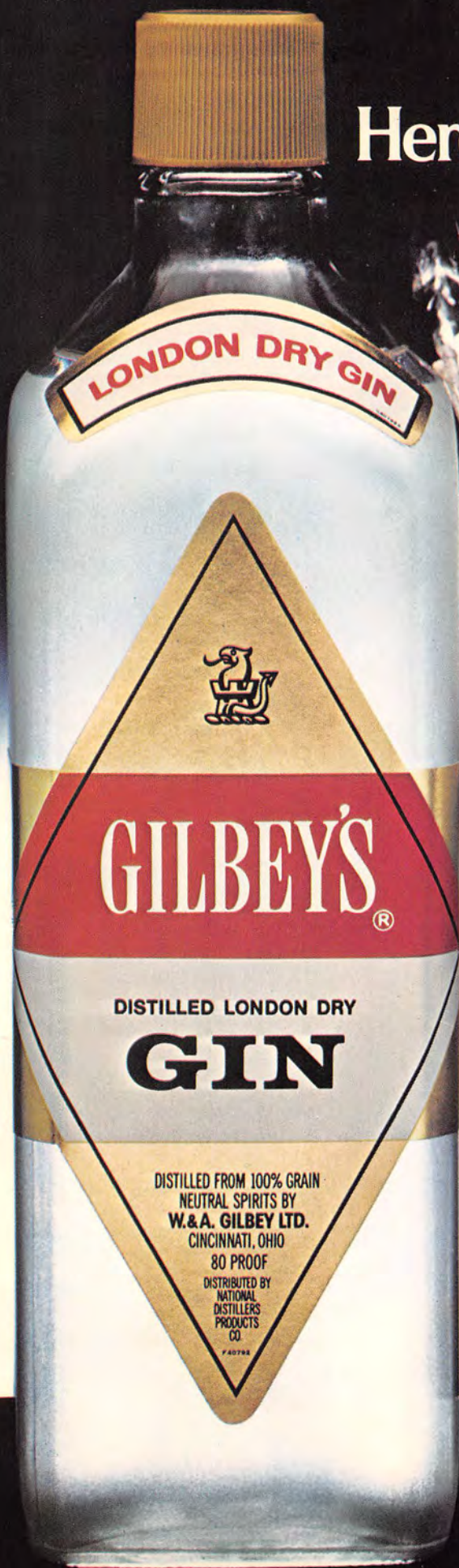
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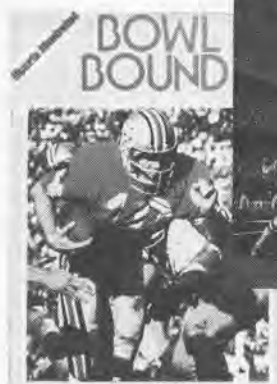
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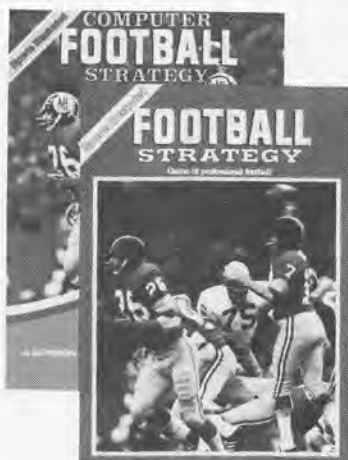
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J.M. Picicci of Spokane, WA, called our forecasts "the heart of the magazine," adding, "Please return to your famous format." Jere C. Kernodle of Wynne, AR, made the same request. "The predictions were fun," said Bill Plott of Wilton, AL. "One of the most interesting and fun parts of the entire publication," echoed David D. Dodd of Sylacauga, AL.

Well, they were fun to make, too, even if we were a bit apprehensive about some of the prophecies. But Raymond D. Kershner of San Jose, CA, reassured us. "If this feature was removed because your past performances weren't quite 100%... nobody expects you to be perfect." Given that encouragement, we have consulted with our experts in the field and gazed into the crystal ball.

Oklahoma is the defending national champion, having been voted No. 1 in both wire service polls following a 25-10 victory over Penn State in the Orange Bowl last New Year's night. The Sooners return all but four starters from that title team and will be led by quarterback Jamelle Holieway and linebacker Brian Bosworth, truly a Heisman Trophy candidate.

The Sooners' only loss in 1985 was at home to Miami, whose championship dreams faded in a 35-7 setback to Tennessee in the Sugar Bowl. The

Hurricanes should be even stronger this season with All-America quarterback Vinny Testaverde heading a cast of 20 returning starters. In what will be an early battle for the top ranking in the country, Miami and Oklahoma meet again on September 27—in Florida. The Hurricanes should prevail, but we think a rematch will be staged in the Orange Bowl in January for the national crown.

Bo Schembechler guided Michigan to a No. 2 final ranking. The Wolverines, who defeated Nebraska, 27-23, in the Fiesta Bowl, have perhaps their best offensive unit in years and should be the team to beat in the Big Ten Conference.

If Michigan does go to the Rose Bowl, it will probably meet UCLA, which is coming off yet another victory for the Pac-10 in Pasadena. The Bruins, with the best running backs in the country, have won four consecutive New Year's Day games under Terry Donahue, including last season's 45-28 triumph over Iowa.

Penn State rebounded from a 6-5 mark in 1984 to go undefeated through the regular season before losing the No. 1 ranking in the Orange Bowl. The Nittany Lions and Joe Paterno would like nothing better than a championship to help celebrate their centennial year.

The Southeastern Conference can't wait for the football season to begin. When it does, five of its member schools (Alabama, Louisiana State, Georgia, Auburn, and Tennessee) should be in the race for national honors. The region features some outstanding individual talent, especially at linebacker: Alabama's Cornelius Bennett and Wayne Davis, LSU's Michael Brooks, and Tennessee's Dale Jones.

As we see it, four of the bowl matchups will be:

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Bo Jackson

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Fully recovered from the shoulder separation that sidelined him for half of his junior year, Jackson started fast last fall, rushing for at least 200 yards in three of his team's first four games. He finished the season with 1,786 yards and 17 touchdowns, leading the Tigers to an 8-3 record and a berth in the Cotton Bowl.

The second Auburn player to win the Heisman Trophy (after quarterback Pat Sullivan in 1971), the 6-1, 222-pound tailback ran for 4,303 yards and scored 45 touchdowns in his collegiate career. Jackson was also one of the outstanding amateur baseball players in the nation, and scouts agree that he could be a dominant performer in the professional sport of his choice.

HEISMAN TROPHY VOTING

player, school (first-place votes)	points
Bo Jackson, Auburn (317)	1,509
Chuck Long, Iowa (286)	1,464
Robbie Bosco, Brigham Young (38)	459
Lorenzo White, Michigan State (50)	391
Vinny Testaverde, Miami (41)	249
Jim Everett, Purdue (12)	77
Napoleon McCallum, Navy (8)	72
Allen Pinkett, Notre Dame (9)	71
Joe Dudek, Plymouth State (12)	56
Brian McClure, Bowling Green (7)	54
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Street & Smith's 1986 High School All-America Team

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● A trio of record-setting running backs and 11 interior linemen group headline the fifth annual 50-player Street & Smith's College Football Yearbook preseason high school All-America team.

Florida's all-time rushing leader, Emmitt Smith of Pensacola Escambia High, returns for his final season and could etch his name into the No. 2 spot on the all-time national ground-gaining charts. Smith's record-setting companions on this season's honor roll include John Stewart of Bradwell Institute in Hinesville, Ga., and Carlos Snow of the Cin-

cinnati Academy of Physical Education (CAPE) in Ohio.

The eleven cited interior linemen—five for offense and six on defense—average 6-5 ¾ and 265 pounds. The smallest of three tight ends is 6-4 and 215 pounds.

Standouts from 28 states comprise this listing of the nation's best prep athletes, as determined by a nationwide survey of college and high school coaches, recruiting services, journalists, and hobbyists. California and Texas each have four representatives on the team, with three from Florida, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Illinois. Two honorees hail from New Jersey, New York, Georgia, Arkansas, Louisiana, Alabama, South Carolina, and Kentucky.

Here are capsule summaries of the record-setting running backs plus the remainder of the 50-player selections:

RUNNING BACKS

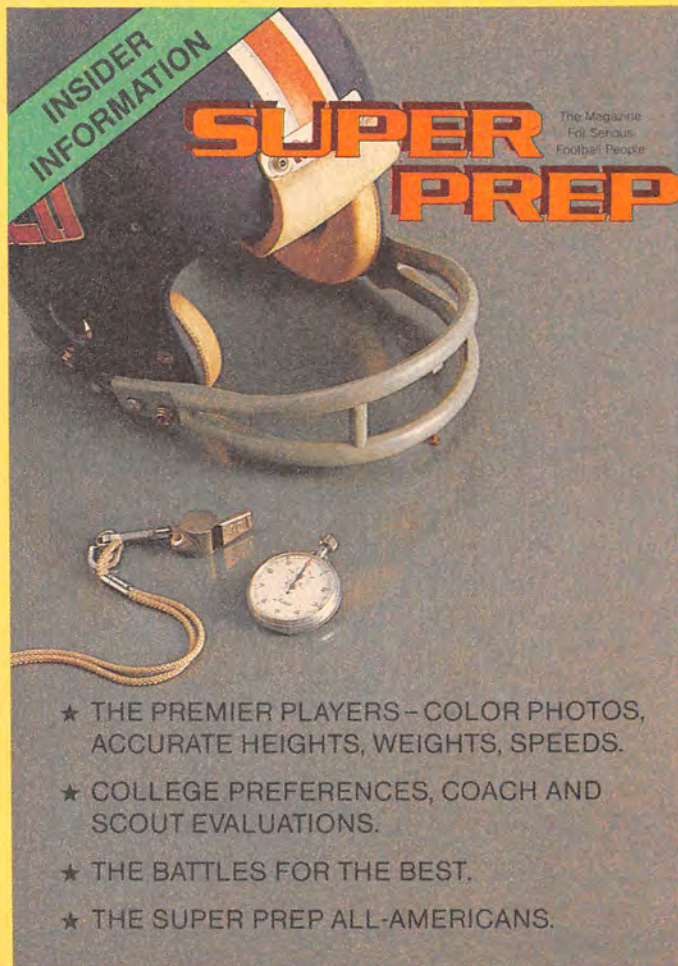
Florida prep patrons can't wait to see what Emmitt Smith can do for an encore after three starting seasons at Escambia. During the last two falls he anchored the Rebels to Class AAAA state championships. The well-built 5-10, 190-pounder enters his final season with 6,993 yards on 902 rushes in 38

games with 78 touchdowns and 480 points. If he duplicates last season's total of 2,826 yards (on 358 carries and 32 TDs), he will move into the No. 2 spot nationally. Texas prep legend Ken Hall of Sugar Land rushed for a record 11,232 yards from 1950-53. Smith could also surpass the career attempt mark of 1,183 and is within reach of second place behind the TD (127) and point (899) totals posted by Hall.

John Stewart, a three-sport performer, set a Georgia large class (4A) rushing record last fall with 2,186 yards on 313 carries and scored 20 touchdowns. He was selected the Class 4A Player of the Year, an honor usually reserved for seniors.

Carlos Snow, the Ohio Class AA Back of the Year after leading the Crusaders to a 14-0 record and a state title, is within reach of the Buckeye State career rushing and scoring standards. Like Smith a three-season regular, he has amassed 5,354 yards and a 10.5-yard per-carry norm while scoring 76 TDs and 428 points. The Ohio marks are 5,956 yards, 92 TDs, and 578 points. As a junior, he gained 2,323 yards and scored 33 TDs and 198 points.

Snow isn't the only honored Ohio back. Troy's Mike Delwiche anchored his team's



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12-1 record season in large-class competition by rushing for 1,677 yards (11.3 per carry) and 25 TDs while averaging 40.4 yards on 22 kickoff returns.

The top seniors in Nebraska, Arkansas, Maryland, and Colorado are running backs. Leodis Flowers hails from Gale Sayers' alma mater, Omaha Central, and the comparisons are natural. A three-sport stalwart who long-jumped over 23 feet as a sophomore, Flowers rushed for 1,765 yards and scored 140 points in nine games last fall. Terrance (JuJu) Harshaw is a four-sport performer for Northeast High in North Little Rock, AR, who is a do-it-all on the gridiron. As a junior fullback, he ran for 1,306 yards, scored 178 points, and handled all kicking chores. Considered a pro prospect in baseball, he also plays basketball and finds time to clock two minutes for 880 yards. William Henry of Frederick, MD, High has fullback size (6-2, 220) and tailback speed (9.8 for 100 yards). He rushed for 1,823 yards and 16 TDs in 13 games last fall and enters his final year with 3,245 yards. Scott Lockwood of Fairview High in Boulder, CO, is attracting attention after rushing for 1,967 yards and 19 TDs in 10 games as a junior.

Some Texas observers feel the best running back in the land could be Darren Lewis of David Carter High in Dallas. He missed five of 10 games last fall with an injury but amassed 909 yards, including 309 in one start. As a sophomore, he rushed for over 1,000 yards. He's a three-sport stalwart.

Polytechnic High of Long Beach is a regular producer of athletic talent. One of the best is Leonard Russell, possibly California's premier running back. In 13 games last season, he rushed 208 times for 1,399 yards and 14 TDs. Alabama's top returning big-school back is Larry Ware of Robert E. Lee High in Montgomery. He chalked up 1,683 yards and 18 TDs on 303 carries in 13 games as a junior.

QUARTERBACKS

The Texas record books were rewritten last season when Ty Detmer of San Antonio Southwest passed for 3,551 yards in 13 games. The five-sport (basketball, baseball, track, golf) athlete completed 209 of 371 aeriels for 36 TDs and enters his senior year with 4,651 career passing yards.

There are those in the Philadelphia area who rate Matt Blundin of Ridley High in Folsom a three-sport college prospect. In football, the 6-7, 212-pounder passed for over 1,300 yards a year ago.

East St. Louis enters the season with 40 consecutive victories. Last year's squad, a 14-0 Illinois class 6-A powerhouse, was ranked No. 1 nationally in two polls. Returning as field general is Kerwin Price, who passed for 18 TDs and over 1,500 yards after scoring 16 touchdowns as a sophomore running back.

The nation's top option quarterback could be Mickey Joseph of Archbishop Shaw in Marrero, La. A converted running back

who's also a track sprinter with 10.6 speed for 100 meters, Joseph passed for 1,361 yards and 11 TDs and rushed for an additional 902 stripes as a junior.

UTILITY BACKS

Jeff Christy is a nonstop football player at Freeport, PA. Touted as a standout linebacker, the fullback scored 26 TDs in 12 games last fall while scoring 204 points and handling place-kicking duties. A 43-yard field goal highlighted six three-pointers.

Willie Hicks was labeled the most exciting player in Massachusetts last season when he quarterbacked Concord-Carlisle High of Concord in a shotgun formation for eight games. He completed 150 of 247 passes for 2,157 yards and 22 TDs while tacking on 400 rushing yards and four more TDs.

New England's version of Christy is Ryan Mihalko of Pinkerton Academy in Derry, NH. The fullback-linebacker-kicker led his 12-0 record state championship team with 184 points. He's also the New England champion in the javelin throw.

Few athletes are as successful as Warren Stith, the wishbone quarterback at Hempstead, NY, who hasn't played for a losing team (35-0-1) since the seventh grade. A point guard in basketball, Stith led Hempstead to a 25-1 mark last season. He's a lacrosse all-star as well. In football, he totaled 2,500 yards in offense in two seasons, including 1,414 and 19 TDs as a junior.

KICKERS

The South can boast of two record-breaking place-kickers, including one who has made his mark nationally. He's Philip Doyle of Huffman High in Birmingham, AL. The soccer-style booter converted an all-time record 22 field goals (in 27 attempts) during 15 games last season. Doyle's career total of 33 field goals is only three shy of the national standard. Eight of Doyle's kicks last fall were over 40 yards, including a best of 51 yards. He also cashed 23 of 24 PATs.

Collin Mackie of Irmo High in Columbia, SC, is a two-time all-stater who has rewritten Carolina record books for kicking. The soccer-style booter has kicked 25 of 34 career field-goal attempts, including four over 40 yards last season with a personal best 49-yarder. He's also converted 36 of 37 career extra points.

INTERIOR LINEMEN

Texas and the Chicago Catholic League are home to four of our 11 line honorees. A four-year, three-sport star at Clarksville, TX, is Stacy Dillard (6-7, 285), a two-way tackle prospect who is a 60-foot shot putter in track and a slam dunker in basketball. A returning large school all-starter is offensive tackle Matt McCall (6-8, 280) of Lufkin, TX. In Illinois the top linemen are Charles Collins (6-4, 260) of Mendel Catholic and Joe Allen (6-5, 260) of St. Rita, a pair of three-year regulars. Collins also is a track sprinter.

The largest honoree is 6-9, 295-pound John Ray of George Washington High in

Charleston, WV, a nose guard/offensive tackle who also plays basketball. Greg Skrepnak (6-7, 270) is a four-year, three-sport performer for G.A.R. High in Wilkes-Barre, PA. He was the leading scorer for a state runner-up basketball team last season and plays first base in baseball. The top defensive linemen in Georgia and Louisiana are David Rocker of Atlanta Fulton and Matt Young of Baker, LA. Rocker is a three-sport athlete and brother of Tracy Rocker, who plays at Auburn University. The top prospects in California, Minnesota, and Mississippi appear to be interior linemen, including three-sport performer Scott Spalding of El Toro, CA, Glenn Neely of Olive Branch, MS, and Gary Isakson of Apple Valley, MN.

RECEIVERS

The most productive pass catchers in Florida and South Carolina return in Terrence Barber of Auburndale, FL, and Freddie Renken of Porter-Gaud High in Charleston, S.C. Barber, a football and basketball all-stater who was a sophomore quarterback, landed 81 receptions for 1,180 yards and 16 TDs in 13 games and handled safety and kick return duties too. Renken, also a defensive back and punter, hauled in 87 passes for 1,627 yards and 22 TDs and tossed three TD passes. Overall, he had 24 scores and amassed 1,857 yards.

New York and New Jersey both boast talented receiver-defensive backs. Augusto (Gus) Palma of Bellport High in Brookhaven, NY, was the only underclassman selected first-team all-Long Island after averaging 25.4 yards for 22 receptions. He's a three-sport performer. Corey Booker of Old Tappan, NJ, was a sophomore all-star but played hurt much of last season before impressing in postseason playoffs. He's a fleet-footed 6-4, 220-pounder who plays both wide receiver or tight end plus defensive back and also returns kicks.

Kentucky is the home of two standout tight ends and three-sport performers. Jeff Ellis, the son of ex-heavyweight boxing champion Jimmy Ellis, caught 25 passes for 629 yards and seven TDs for Louisville Male High. In addition, he was a stalwart linebacker. Frank Jacobs of Newport Catholic enters his fourth season as a regular in football, basketball, and baseball. In football, he plays tight end, split end, nose guard, and linebacker. Last fall, he had 46 receptions for 743 yards and seven TDs. His career totals are 83 for 1,397 yards and 14 TDs. He was a second-team Catholic All-America as a junior.

College recruiters are finding their way to Kansas, OK, where 6-8, 220-pound tight end Fallon Wacasey resides. A basketball and track standout, he caught 27 passes for 655 yards and eight TDs last fall and has career numbers of 57 catches for 1,227 yards and 14 TDs.

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LINEBACKERS/DEFENSIVE ENDS

Matt Darby of Green Run High in Virginia Beach, VA, hopes to score an A-A double after earning track honors with a U.S. indoor best triple jump of 50 feet, 7 inches last winter. He's a three-time all-Tidewater area football honoree as a linebacker who could see action in the secondary this fall. Keith Traylor of Malvern, AR, was all-Southern as a junior and some feel he will be playing for pay on Sundays in the near future.

The Midwest lays claim to four standouts: Jerrod Vance of Massillon, OH, Washington; Ricky Williams of Detroit Henry Ford; John Derby of Oconomowoc, WI; and Tim Ryan of Kansas City, MO, Rockhurst. Vance and Derby play fullback as well, while Williams and Ryan double as tight ends and are three-sport performers. Ryan also averages 40 yards a punt.

DEFENSIVE BACKS

A good argument could be made for Leroy Thompson of Austin-East High in Knoxville, TN, as the nation's most talented two-way back. He earned all-state honors with 13 pass interceptions as a junior and rushed for 1,308 yards and 17 TDs, including a sparkling 12.6-yard per-carry average. As a sophomore, he was MVP of the state Class AA basketball tournament.

The top returnee in the Miami, FL, area is Cedric McKinnon of Coral Gables High. The only underclassman on the Class 5-A (largest) all-state first unit, McKinnon was a big-play performer as a safety-wide receiver-kick returner. Playing the same positions for Elizabeth, NJ, High is Tony Kennedy, who also excels in track.

Two top California programs are represented, including Vista, last year's unbeaten state champion. The Panthers return all-star cornerback Tommy Booker, who also rushed for TDs of 93, 85, and 80 yards as a backup tailback. Returning for Wilmington Banning High is Marvin Pollard, leader of a talent-laden squad.

Street & Smith's Top 50 High School Seniors of 1986

QUARTERBACKS

	ht.	wt.	high school	home town
Matt Blundin	6-7	212	Ridley	Folsom, PA
Ty Detmer	6-2	170	Southwest	San Antonio, TX
Mickey Joseph	5-10	175	Archbishop Shaw	Marrero, LA
Kerwin Price	6-0	200	East St. Louis	E. St. Louis, IL

RUNNING BACKS

Mike Delwiche	5-11	190	Troy	Troy, OH
Leodis Flowers	6-0	190	Central	Omaha, NE
Terrance Harshaw	6-0	205	Northeast	N. Little Rock, AR
William Henry	6-2	220	Frederick	Frederick, MD
Darren Lewis	5-11	192	David W. Carter	Dallas, TX
Scott Lockwood	6-0	190	Fairview	Boulder, CO
Leonard Russell	6-2	215	Poly	Long Beach, CA
Emmitt Smith	5-10	190	Escambia	Pensacola, FL
Carlos Snow	5-8	195	C.A.P.E.	Cincinnati, OH
John Stewart	6-2	205	Bradwell Institute	Hinesville, GA
Larry Ware	5-10	175	Robert E. Lee	Montgomery, AL

UTILITY BACKS

Jeff Christy	6-3	225	Freeport	Freeport, PA
Willie Hicks	5-10	170	Concord-Carlisle	Concord, MA
Ryan Mihalko	6-2	226	Pinkerton Academy	Derry, NH
Warren Stith	5-11	165	Hempstead	Hempstead, NY

WIDE RECEIVERS

Terrence Barber	5-11	170	Auburndale	Auburndale, FL
Corey Booker	6-4	220	Old Tappan	Old Tappan, NJ
Gus Palma	6-2	190	Bellport	Brookhaven, NY
Freddie Renken	6-2	180	Porter-Gaud	Charleston, SC

TIGHT ENDS

Jeff Ellis	6-4	215	Male	Louisville, KY
Frank Jacobs	6-5	220	Catholic	Newport, KY
Falloon Wacasey	6-8	220	Kansas	Kansas, OK

KICKERS

Philip Doyle	6-2	195	Huffman	Birmingham, AL
Collin Mackie	5-10	155	Irmo	Columbia, SC

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

Joe Allen	6-5	260	St. Rita	Chicago, IL
Gary Isakson	6-4	245	Apple Valley	Apple Valley, MN
Matt McCall	6-8	280	Lufkin	Lufkin, TX
Glenn Neely	6-5	265	Olive Branch	Olive Branch, MS
Greg Skrepnak	6-7	270	G.A.R.	Wilkes-Barre, PA

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

Charles Collins	6-4	260	Mendel	Chicago, IL
Stacy Dillard	6-7	285	Clarksville	Clarksville, TX
John Ray	6-9	295	George Washington	Charleston, WV
David Rocker	6-4	245	Fulton	Atlanta, GA
Scott Spalding	6-6	250	El Toro	El Toro, CA
Matt Young	6-5	265	Baker	Baker, LA

LINEBACKERS/DEFENSIVE ENDS

Matt Darby	6-2	195	Green Run	Virginia Beach, VA
John Derby	6-3	220	Oconomowoc	Oconomowoc, WI
Tim Ryan	6-3	235	Rockhurst	Kansas City, MO
Keith Traylor	6-4	217	Malvern	Malvern, AR
Jerrod Vance	6-3	241	Washington	Massillon, OH
Ricky Williams	6-4	230	Henry Ford	Detroit, MI

DEFENSIVE BACKS

Tommy Booker	6-1	195	Vista	Vista, CA
Tony Kennedy	6-2	205	Elizabeth	Elizabeth, NJ
Cedric McKinnon	6-4	198	Coral Gables	Coral Gables, FL
Marvin Pollard	6-3	180	Banning	Wilmington, CA
Leroy Thompson	5-11	205	Austin-East	Knoxville, TN

Other seniors to watch

QUARTERBACKS

high school	home town
Rod Baker . . . Louisville . . . Louisville, MS	
Jeff Bary . . . South . . . Medford, OR	
Mark Barsotti . . . Madera . . . Madera, CA	
Jim Bonds . . . Hart . . . Newhall, CA	
Mario Bongiorno . . . Union . . . Burgettstown, PA	
John Brady . . . Escambia . . . Pensacola, FL	
Rick Cannon . . . Perry . . . Pittsburgh, PA	
Bobby Carpenter . . . Amityville . . . Amityville, NY	
Joe Carter . . . Paradise Valley . . . Paradise Valley, AZ	
Doug Coleman . . . White Castle . . . White Castle, LA	
Tom Colombo . . . Brockton . . . Brockton, MA	
Ty Cottle . . . Tift County . . . Tifton, GA	
Billy Deeds . . . Auburndale . . . Auburndale, FL	
Dan DiGravo . . . Thayer Academy . . . Braintree, MA	
Mike Emmons . . . Tate . . . Gonzalez, FL	
Tom Ferrari . . . Germantown . . . Germantown, TN	
Brad Fitzmaurice . . . Jefferson City . . . Jefferson City, MO	
Kenny Ford . . . Austin . . . Port Arthur, TX	
Mike Gaddis . . . Albert . . . Midwest City, OK	
Jim Gallagher . . . Bellport . . . Brookhaven, NY	
Chauncey Godwin . . . Tupelo . . . Tupelo, MS	
Kent Graham . . . North . . . Wheaton, IL	
Tag Gross . . . Holland Hall . . . Tulsa, OK	
Farron Hall . . . Rison . . . Rison, AR	
James Harris . . . Lincoln . . . East St. Louis, IL	
Greg Helms . . . Rocky River . . . Rocky River, OH	
Bill Henderson . . . Westminster Christian . . . Miami, FL	
Heath Hewitt . . . Whiteville . . . Whiteville, NC	
Don Hoog . . . East Central . . . Brookville, IN	
Anthony Houston . . . Harding . . . Charlotte, NC	
John Ivory . . . Knoch . . . Knoch, PA	
Brad Johnson . . . Owen . . . Swannanoa, NC	
Keswic Joiner . . . Moss Point . . . Moss Point, MS	
Andy Kelley . . . Rhea County . . . Dayton, TN	
Kevin Kirkpatrick . . . Miami Trace . . . Wash. Court House, OH	
Jeff Lenser . . . Burke . . . Omaha, NE	
Deems May . . . Lexington . . . Lexington, NC	
John McNealy . . . Shanks . . . Quincy, FL	
Dave Mitidiero . . . Lockport . . . Lockport, IL	
Kyle Morris . . . Clinton . . . Clinton, MS	
Steve Muchowski . . . Florence . . . Florence, NJ	
Wilbur Odem . . . Holmes . . . San Antonio, TX	
Jason Palumbis . . . Lakeridge . . . Lake Oswego, OR	
Richard Pierce . . . Mogadore . . . Mogadore, OH	
Bucky Richardson . . . Broadmoor . . . Baton Rouge, LA	
Mike Robiana . . . Coral Park . . . Miami, FL	
Matt Rodgers . . . Walpole . . . Walpole, MA	
Scott Schaffner . . . Moeller . . . Cincinnati, OH	
Dion Smith . . . Northwest . . . Cincinnati, OH	
Trevor Smith . . . Havre de Grace . . . Havre de Grace, MD	
Joe Smithco . . . North Hills . . . Pittsburgh, PA	
Frank Stankunis . . . Suwanee . . . Live Oak, FL	
Bobby Valdez . . . Sunnyside . . . Tucson, AZ	
Jerry Velling . . . Kennedy . . . Seattle, WA	
Paul Watson . . . Park Hill . . . Kansas City, MO	
Robbie White . . . Todd County . . . Elkhart, KY	
Donny Wright . . . Newark . . . Newark, DE	

RUNNING BACKS

George Achola . . . Creighton Prep . . . Ohamh, NE
Dirk Allen . . . Copley . . . Copley, OH
Nathan Ayers . . . Dunbar . . . Baltimore, MD
Johnny Bailey . . . Central . . . Little Rock, AR
Jim Baughman . . . Danville . . . Danville, KY
Glenn Bell . . . Muskogee . . . Muskogee, OK
Eric Bieniemy . . . Bishop Amat . . . La Puente, CA
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Brian Cleveland . . . West Orange-Stark . . . Orange, TX
Harold Cleveland . . . Spartanburg . . . Spartanburg, SC
D.C. Coleman . . . Chandler . . . Chandler, AZ
Tommy Cox . . . Troupe . . . Lagrange, GA
Sean Detwiler . . . South Park . . . Liberty, PA
Mike Dingle . . . Berkeley . . . Moncks Corner, SC
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Tim Smith . . . Harding Academy . . . Searcy, AR
John Spencer . . . St. Clairsville . . . St. Clairsville, OH
Malcolm Stafford . . . Albuquerque . . . Albuquerque, NM
Brian Stephens . . . Country Day . . . Birmingham, MI
Les Swift . . . Chillicothe . . . Chillicothe, MO
Tom Van Tiger . . . Mediapolis . . . Mediapolis, IO
Brad Tokar . . . Fort Cherry . . . Fort Cherry, PA
Orlando Wade . . . Spring Hill . . . Spring Hill, TN
Keith Washington . . . Pikeville . . . Pikeville, KY
Jarrold Watkins . . . Grandview . . . Grandview, MO
Jerome Williams . . . Bethel Park . . . Bethel Park, PA
Ross Wright . . . Marysville . . . Marysville, KN
Tony Young . . . Alexandria . . . Alexandria, AL

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Delino DeShields . . . Seaford . . . Seaford, DE
William Doctor . . . Andrews . . . El Paso, TX
Ricky Ervins . . . Muir . . . Pasadena, CA
Dan Fisk . . . MacArthur . . . Saginaw, MI
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Marcus Hooks . . . South . . . Omaha, NE
C.J. Jackson . . . Hollywood Hills . . . Hollywood Hills, FL
Tyrone Jackson . . . DeMatha . . . Hyattsville, MD
Terry Levine . . . Hillcrest . . . Dalzell, SC
Lamont Lewis . . . Rubidoux . . . Riverside, LA
Jeremy Lincoln . . . DeVilbiss . . . Toledo, OH
Ernie Lyles . . . West Potomac . . . Fort Hunt, VA
Ralph Miller . . . Downingtown . . . Downingtown, PA
Eric Murdock . . . Raritan West . . . Bridgewater, NJ
David Porter . . . Delta . . . Delta, UT
Sam Rea . . . MRA . . . Jackson, MS
Patrick Rowe . . . Lincoln . . . San Diego, CA
Derek Russell . . . Central . . . Little Rock, AR
Anthony Smith . . . Holy Name . . . Parma Heights, OH
William Smith . . . San Bernardino . . . San Bernardino, CA
James Stanford . . . East . . . Youngstown, OH
Jeff Swisher . . . Sistersville . . . Sistersville, WV
Maury Toy . . . Mountain Home . . . Mountain Home, ID
Jason Wallace . . . Bethel . . . Hampton, VA
Yusef Washington . . . Duquesne . . . Duquesne, PA
Rick Watters . . . Bishop McDevitt . . . Harrisburg, PA
Andre White . . . Concord . . . Concord, NC
Darrell Whitmore . . . Warren County . . . Front Royal, VA
Richard Wright . . . St. Pauls . . . St. Pauls, NC
Brad Zwahlen . . . Davis . . . Modesto, CA

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Other seniors to watch

WIDE RECEIVERS

Dexter Austin...Cardinal Mooney...Sarasota, FL
 Gar Ball...Manhattan...Manhattan, KN
 James Bradley...Orrville...Orrville, OH
 Ray Bryant...Highland...Albuquerque, NM
 Rodney Chavis...Lincoln...East St. Louis, IL
 Derrick Collins...Phillips...Birmingham, AL
 Anthony Cummings...St. Martin de Porres...Detroit, MI
 David Daugherty...Oak Park...Oak Park, IL
 Rich Drayton...Central...Philadelphia, PA
 Shane Garrett...Crowley...Crowley, LA
 Don Henderson...Valley...Albuquerque, NM
 Jason Howard...Quachita Christian...Monroe, LA
 Alex Johnson...Homestead...Homestead, FL
 Jeff Johnson...Washington...Cedar Rapids, IO
 Craig Jones...San Juan...San Juan, CA
 Willy Lira...Marcos de Niza...Tempe, AZ
 Phil Logan...Holy Cross...Louisville, KY
 Chris Lutes...Blytheville...Blytheville, AR
 Wendell Mack...Binghamton...Binghamton, NY
 O'Neal Majors...Central...Decatur, IN
 David Mapp...Norland...Miami, FL
 Eddie Miller...Southwest DeKalb...Decatur, GA
 Anthony Morgan...John Adams...Cleveland, OH
 Darelle Porter...Perry...Pittsburgh, PA
 Willie Rice...Prosser...Chicago, IL
 Craig Sanderson...Hamilton...Hamilton, AL
 George Smith...Mid-Pacific...Honolulu, HA
 Rich Stevenson...Swissvale...Pittsburgh, PA
 Eddie Thomas...Fort Knox...Fort Knox, KY
 Nate Turner...Mt. Carmel...Mt. Carmel, IL
 Rob Turner...Chatard...Indianapolis, IN
 Johnny Walker...Holmes...San Antonio, TX
 Avery Washington...Captain Shreve...Shreveport, LA
 Tripp Welborne...Page...Greensboro, NC
 Jamal West...Washington...Tulsa, OK

TIGHT ENDS

Mark Adams...Kempsville...Virginia Beach, VA
 Milton Biggins...Phillips...Chicago, IL
 Wolf Blaser...West...Topeka, KN
 Michael Boykin...Jefferson...Dayton, OH
 Michael Brandon...Taylor County...Perry, FL
 Chris Craig...Macomber-Whitney...Toledo, OH
 Mark Craig...Newport Harbor...Newport, CA
 Dave Diebolt...Mayfield...Mayfield, OH
 Billy Dykes...Bay City...Bay City, TX
 Nabil El Sheshar...Dunwoody...Dunwoody, GA
 Mike Everitt...Schaumburg...Schaumburg, IL
 Brian Gilmore...Arrowhead...Hartland, WI
 Keith Graley...George Washington...Charleston, WV
 Donn Grimm...Southmoreland...Alverton, PA
 Amos Harris...Snyder...Jersey City, NJ
 Clarence Harris...J-H-W...Richmond, VA
 Harold Heath...Canton...Canton, MS
 Greg Hines...Edgewood...Edgewood, NJ
 Thomas Holmes...Midfield...Midfield, AL
 Gene Houpe...Statesville...Statesville, NC
 Kevin Howard...Loveland...Loveland, CO
 Steve Janey...Fieldale-Collinsville...Collinsville, VA
 Will Jeter...Hampton...Hampton, VA
 Tom Lassette...West Covina...West Covina, CA
 Dan Lohmeier...Creighton Prep...Omaha, NE
 Paul McMullin...Pennsbury...Fairless Hills, PA
 Craig Reiman...Wirapids...Wirapids, WI
 Craig Rowe...Mira Mesa...San Diego, CA
 Armand Ruffin...Chugiak...Eagle River, AK

Dan Spencer...Valparaiso...Valparaiso, IN
 Steve Stutsman...Daingerfield...Daingerfield, TX
 Andy Taylor...Wyandotte...Kansas City, KN
 Brian Teski...LaGrange...LaGrange, IL
 Curtis Thrift...Lampasas...Lampasas, TX
 Chris Tolerson...Binghamton...Binghamton, NY
 Ray Von Harten...Beaufort...Beaufort, SC
 Greg Waddle...Columbus...Columbus, TX
 Walter Watts...Independence...San Jose, CA
 Darryl Wodecki...Kenston...Chagrin Falls, OH

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

Scott Adell...Reynolds...Asheville, NC
 Norman Balentine...East...Hazelwood, MO
 Scott Bell...Towson...Towson, MD
 James Benton...Burns...Shelby, NC
 Scot Boatwright...Saguaro...Phoenix, AZ
 Brian Boerboom...Doherty...Colorado Springs, CO
 Jon Bos...Yankton...Yankton, SD
 Brian Brown...Republican Valley...Indianola, NE
 Jeff Bunton...Northeast Guilford...Greensboro, NC
 Tony Butler...Scotland County...Laurensburg, NC
 Kent Carter...Corbin...Corbin, KY
 Pat Cochran...Hedgesville...Hedgesville, WV
 Brad Collins...St. Albans...Washington, DC
 Tim Craig...Memorial...Houston, TX
 Bobby Craycraft...Boyd County...Ashland, KY
 Pat Crocker...Northside...Fort Smith, AR
 William Crowder...Hillcrest...Memphis, TN
 Brad Culpepper...Leon...Tallahassee, FL
 Paul DeBono...Mater Dei...Santa Ana, CA
 Scott Del Rio...Perris...Perris, CA
 Dean Dingman...East Troy...East Troy, WI
 Matt Dunning...Eatonville...Eatonville, WA
 Melvin Evans...Trenton...Trenton, NJ
 Charley Fishero...Morse...San Diego, CA
 Jay Foran...DeMatha...Hayattsville, MD
 Richard Garrick...Bishop Amat...LaPuente, CA
 Todd George...Catholic...Covington, KY
 Damon Gilbreth...Lake Washington...Kirkland, WA
 Mike Hall...Harmon...Kansas City, KN
 Scott Hart...Hampton...Allison Park, PA
 Sean Henderson...West...Clovis, CA
 Bob Henry...Cudahy...Cudahy, WI
 Brian Jackson...Hempfield Area...Greensburg, PA
 Carey Jackson...Robert E. Lee...Montgomery, AL
 John Jerke...Lufkin...Lufkin, TX
 Charles Johnson...Central...Springfield, MO
 Todd Keene...Cypress-Fairbanks...Houston, TX
 Brian Kelly...South...Torrance, CA
 Bob Kime...Military...Culver, IN
 Craig Kintz...McKinley...Canton, OH
 Tim Kirby...Pinellas Park...Largo, FL
 Matt Kriegel...Central...Toledo, OH
 Greg Lakin...Cypress-Fairbanks...Houston, TX
 Robert Leaver...T.C. Williams...Alexandria, VA
 Matt Maciolek...Willingboro...Willingboro, NJ
 George Marshall...Franklin...Franklin, NJ
 Ray McCrary...Christian Brothers...Memphis, TN
 Russ McCullough...South...Olathe, KN
 Jeff Miller...Manitowoc...Manitowoc, WI
 Steve Mills...Bellarmine...San Jose, CA
 Mike Mischler...Cathedral Prep...Erie, PA
 Michael Moody...Washington...San Francisco, CA
 Matt Morgan...Lyons-Decatur NE...Lyons, NE
 Tom Myslinski...Free Academy...Rome, NY
 Roy Nichols...Jeannette...Jeannette, PA
 Steve Novak...Morton...Morton, IL

Chris Ogle...First Colonial...Virginia Beach, VA
 John Repasky...Cardinal Mooney...Youngstown, OH
 Scott Rivers...Martinsville...Martinsville, IN
 Del Roberts...Linden...Linden, NJ
 Jim Russo...Central...Hazelwood, MO
 Randy Schneider...Penn...Mishawaka, IN
 Chris Semoff...Cedar Cliff...Cedar Cliff, PA
 Stewart Shepherd...Monroe...Monroe, NC
 Mike Shoaf...Grand Valley...Orwell, OH
 Paul Siever...Downingtown...Downingtown, PA
 Chris Simmons...E.C. Glass...Lynchburg, VA
 Ron Simmons...Kennedy...Granada Hills, CA
 Evan Simpson...Central...Omaha, NE
 Marc Spinder...West...Scranton, PA
 Jodie Sprenkle...Valdosta...Valdosta, GA
 Rick Stead...Weir...Weirton, WV
 John Stoddard...Christian Brothers...Memphis, TN
 Sean Streeter...Julian...Chicago, IL
 Rich Sweet...Chapin...Chapin, SC
 Lemonte Tellis...Peachtree...Chamblee, GA
 Chris Thome...St. Thomas Academy...St. Paul, MN
 Dave Turner...Clinton...Clinton, IO
 Walter Underwood...Fairdale...Louisville, KY
 Bill Vandergrift...Newton County...Covington, GA
 David Wilkins...Aiken...Cincinnati, OH
 Matt Willig...St. Paul...Santa Fe Springs, CA
 Jim Wormsly...Dundee-Crown...Carpentersville, IL
 Kyle Wray...Loy Norrix...Kalamazoo, MI
 Chris Zyck...Hamden...Hamden, CT

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

Preston Anderson...Norwalk...Norwalk, CT
 Mike Barone...Valparaiso...Valparaiso, IN
 Jerry Bell...DeSales...Louisville, KY
 James Coachman...Cottonwood...Cottonwood, AL
 Chris Collins...Ballard...Louisville, KY
 Bill Doverspike...North Hills...Pittsburgh, PA
 Pat Englebert...Scotus...Columbus, NE
 Wendell Garrett...Grand Prairie...Grand Prairie, TX
 Sam Gerrits...Grafton...Grafton, WI
 Jon Gustavsson...Buffalo Grove...Buffalo Grove, IL
 Terrance Hall...Manual...Denver, CO
 John Hattok...Leavenworth...Leavenworth, KN
 Matt Jefferson...Mt. Vernon...Mt. Vernon, VA
 Robert Jenkins...Leesville...Leesville, LA
 Anthony Johnson...Ganesha...Pomona, CA
 Claude Jones...Dillard...Ft. Lauderdale, FL
 Monte Jones...Tomball...Tomball, TX
 Robert Kemp...Starkville...Starkville, MS
 Bob Laswell...Cascade...Everett, WA
 Darryl Linton...Gibbons...Baltimore, MD
 Chuck Long...Snohomish...Snohomish, WA
 Russ Major...Gresham...Gresham, OR
 Nick McCrary...Pulaski County...Dublin, VA
 Michael McGee...Josey...Augusta, GA
 Demetres Mitchell...Hamilton...Memphis, TN
 Mark Moore...Stonewall Jackson...Charleston, WV
 Paul Morris...Avonworth...Pittsburgh, PA
 Cody Mosier...Hope...Hope, AR
 MacKenzie Phillips...Springdale...Springdale, AR
 Jim Rea...Esperanza...Esperanza, CA
 Torun Robinson...McComb...McComb, MS
 Kris Rongen...Jefferson...Federal Way, WA
 Brian Shannon...Wilmington...Wilmington, PA
 Greg Smerker...Russell...Great Falls, MT
 Alex Smith...Madera...Madera, CA
 Allen Smith...Madera...Madera, CA
 Bryon Sneed...T.C. Williams...Alexandria, VA

Joel Sneed...Hinkley...Aurora, CO
 Horace Thompson...Washington...Tulsa, OK
 Chris Truax...Richardson...Richardson, TX
 Brian Tschantz...Barberton...Barberton, OH
 Scott Tucker...Rockville...Rockville, MD
 Robert Viney...Tazewell...Tazewell, VA
 Dallas Walker...Tallmadge...Tallmadge, OH
 Nelson Walker...Ringgold...Monongahela, PA
 Steve Webb...Holt...Holt, AL
 Dorian Wesley...Hempstead...Hempstead, NY
 Shon Williams...King...Chicago, IL
 Tyrone Willoughby...Loyola...Baltimore, MD
 Bob Wolf...Wheeling...Wheeling, IL
 Reggie Youngblood...Woodlawn...Shreveport, LA

DEFENSIVE ENDS

Anthony Bowie...Wossman...Monroe, LA
 Marty Bray...Bartlett...Memphis, TN
 Andy Dinkin...Churchill...Potomac, MD
 Kendrick Eily...Person...Roxboro, NC
 Bruce Givens...Overland...Overland, CO
 Jim Goode...St. Joseph...Cleveland, OH
 Kraig Hackbarth...Fond du Lac...Fond du Lac, WI
 Victor Hall...Wellborn...Anniston, AL
 Tom Hanson...Clark...Hammon, IN
 Eric Holzworth...Thomas Jefferson...Pittsburgh, PA
 John Johnson...Lagrange...Lagrange, GA
 Proctor Land...Robinson...Fairfax, VA
 Tony McEnroe...Union...Union, NJ
 John Murphy...Brother Rice...Chicago, IL
 Jim Pennington...Lakewood...Lakewood, CO
 Terrance Poe...Banning...Wilmington, CA
 Angelo Robinson...Concord...Concord, NC
 Steve Siletto...New Canaan...New Canaan, CT
 John Sloboda...Pleasant...Marion, OH
 Derrick Spack...East...Rockford, IL
 David Weaver...South...Hagerstown, MD
 Alfred Williams...Jones...Houston, TX
 Rick Yaggi...Catholic...Stamford, CT

LINEBACKERS

Doug Amaya...Oak Park...Oak Park, IL
 Jeff Anderson...Raritan East...Bridgewater, NJ
 Bo Belden...Carmel...Carmel, IN
 Eric Berry...Serra...Serra, CO
 Chris Bohn...Traverse City...Traverse City, MI
 Jon Bowman...Chaparral...Las Vegas, NV
 Doug Brewster...Clarke Central...Athens, GA
 Chip Brixius...St. Thomas Academy...St. Paul, MN
 Corey Brown...Morningside...Inglewood, CA
 Joe Brown...Cypress-Fairbanks...Houston, TX
 Pat Casey...Wadsworth...Wadsworth, OH
 Andre Conner...Ballou...Washington, DC
 Joey Couch...Prestonburg...Prestonburg, KY
 David Davis...Lower Richland...Hopkins, SC
 Eric Davis...Santa Monica...Santa Monica, CA
 Darren Drozdov...Oakcrest...Mays Landing, NJ
 Paul Fowler...Misiwauka...Misiwauka, IN
 Brian Frederick...Westhill...Stamford, CT
 Tom Goetz...Strongsville...Strongsville, OH
 Dennis Goodwin...Lynbrook...Lynbrook, NY
 Mark Hagen...Carmel...Carmel, IN
 Pete Harris...Homestead...Homestead, FL
 Tim Herman...Southeast...Lincoln, NE
 Peter Hirt...Grafton...Grafton, WI
 Dexter House...Provine...Provine, MS
 Shawn Howard...Cresby...Encino, CA
 Jerry Huggett...South...Waukesha, WI

Andy Imes...North...Lawrence, IN
 Herschel Ivy...Ballou...Washington, DC
 William Johnson...Simeon...Chicago, IL
 Anthony Judge...Stranahan...Ft. Lauderdale, FL
 Scott Kern...Meridian...Meridian, ID
 Carnell Kimbee...Nogales...Nogales, CA
 Scott Lamphere...North Branch...North Branch, MI
 Jason Lancaster...Grandview...Grandview, MO
 Steve Lawrence...Greenwich...Greenwich, CT
 Tom Lease...Kenton...Kenton, OH
 John Liatraut...Divine Child...Dearborn, MI
 Jason Lowe...MacArthur...Irving, TX
 Carl Majer...Berwick...Berwick, PA
 Carlos Marino...Central...Detroit, MI
 Jeff Markham...Houghton...Houghton, MI
 Dennis Martin...Brockton...Brockton, MA
 Ed McDaniel...Batesville-Leesville...Batesville, SC
 Chris McGrath...Marblehead...Marblehead, MA
 Dubois McMillen...Verbum Dei...Los Angeles, CA
 John Miles...Seabreeze...Daytona Beach, FL
 Corey Miller...Central...Pageland, SC
 Chuck O'Brien...Frederick...Frederick, MD
 Rob Phenix...Rosemount...Rosemount, MN
 Eric Pierce...Eisenhower...New Berlin, WI
 Todd Pipkens...Central...Pittsburgh, PA
 Bill Price...Galion...Galion, OH
 Bobby Raynor...Idabel...Idabel, OK
 Jordy Reynolds...Stratford...Houston, TX
 Kyle Roberts...Mountain View...Mountain View, UT
 Tyrone Rogers...Banning...Wilmington, CA
 Brock Rohrbacher...Snider...Fort Wayne, IN
 Pio Sagapolutele...Maryknoll...Honolulu, HI
 Mark Schell...Perkins...Sandusky, OH
 Chris Smail...Richard...Ann Arbor, MI
 Tim Spain...Myrtle Beach...Myrtle Beach, SC
 Pat Stant...Brother Martin...New Orleans, LA
 Derek Steele...Warwick...Newport News, VA
 Odel Stewart...Buena...Sierra Vista, AZ
 Ernest Thompson...Laurel County...London, KY
 Jonathan Todd...Laguna Beach...Laguna Beach, CA
 Chris Treston...Malvern...Philadelphia, PA
 Kevin Van Oberbeke...Kennedy...Bloomington, MN
 Shannon Vissman...Keyser...Keyser, WV
 Demetrius Walker...Colquitt County...Moultrie, GA
 Derrick White...Lufkin...Lufkin, TX
 Scott Wojnovich...Baldwinsville...Baldwinsville, NY
 Gary Worthington...Overbrook Regional...Pine Hill, NJ
 Sam Yaramus...Aliquippa...Aliquippa, PA

DEFENSIVE BACKS

Broderick Allen...Griffin...Griffin, GA
 Brad Almon...Lowndes County...Valdosta, GA
 Matt Baggett...Central Bucks West...Doylestown, PA
 Randy Banks...Halls...Knoxville, TN
 Levern Belin...Forest Hills...Marshville, NC
 Kevin Beyonne...St. Bernard's...Playa del Rey, CA
 Eugene Burkhalter...Poly...Long Beach, CA
 Pat Burris...Northwestern...Rock Hill, SC
 Kelvin Burroughs...Boyd Anderson...Lauderdale Lakes, FL
 Greg Byrne...Dallas...Dallas, OR
 Jerome Calloway...Valdosta...Valdosta, GA
 Adrian Citizen...Washington-Marion...Lake Charles, LA
 Vincent Clark...C.A.P.E...Cincinnati, OH
 Roosevelt Colson...Whiteville...Whiteville, NC
 Chris Crooms...Lee...Baytown, TX
 Cedric Davenport...Sterling...Houston, TX
 Tim Dawes...Burrillville...Burrillville, RI
 Ray Drake...Hoover...Des Moines, IO

Ken Feist...Banks...Banks, OR
 Tim Fielder...Broomfield...Broomfield, CO
 Floyd Fields...Thornwood...South Holland, IL
 Kelvin Fisher...Ambridge...Ambridge, PA
 Mark Fletcher...Princeton...Cincinnati, OH
 James Fuller...Stadium...Tacoma, WA
 Andre Green...Somerville...Somerville, NJ
 David Henderson...Longview...Longview, TX
 Tony Herd...Alton...Alton, IL
 Randal Hill...Killian...Miami, FL
 Dan Jokisch...Clarkston...Clarkston, MI
 Otis Kearney...South...Toms River, NJ
 Nathan LaDuke...Alhambra...Phoenix, AZ
 Jeff Mack...Cedar Shoals...Athens, GA
 James Proctor...Pearl...Jackson, MS
 Michael Raymond...St. Paul...Garden City, NY
 Joe Ross...Westside...Augusta, GA
 Mike Seigny...Union...Bartlett, VT
 Joe Towler...Lincoln...Dallas, TX
 Chris Walsh...Ygnacio Valley...Concord, CA
 Jim Watkins...North...Olathe, KN
 Steve Weron...St. Charles...Chicago, IL
 Tony Wilson...Adams...South Bend, IN

KICKERS

Jon Biskup...East Islip...East Islip, NY
 Ted Brayton...Bishop Hendricken...Warwick, RI
 J.D. Carlson...Leon...Tallahassee, FL
 Mark Driver...Chapin...Chapin, SC
 Pat Evans...Strath Haven...Strath Haven, PA
 Dan Hausteine...Apple Valley...Apple Valley, MN
 Steve Kirkwood...Paint Valley...Bainbridge, OH
 John Kubu...Westside...Anderson, SC
 Dave Lafferty...Vacaville...Vacaville, CA
 Chris Lutz...Wayne Valley...Wayne, NJ
 Sal Morello...Middletown...Middletown, CT
 Scott Osborne...Iselin...Iselin, NJ
 Scott Reuter...Moon Valley...Moon Valley, AZ
 John Rowe...Day View...Milwaukee, WI
 Dominic Sandifer...Harvard...North Hollywood, CA
 Shannon White...North-Tech...Des Moines, IO
 Tom Wichta...Bishop Ahr...Edison, NJ

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The cream of the 1986 college frosh

Where the top 1985 prep seniors signed

QUARTERBACKS

	hometown	college
Tom Bill	Flemington, NJ	Penn State
Jeff George	Indianapolis, IN	Purdue
Sol Graves	Monroe, LA	LSU
Quinn Grovey	Duncan, OK	Arkansas
Bernard Hall	Detroit, MI	Oklahoma
Major Harris	Pittsburgh, PA	West Virginia
Greg Jones	Miami, FL	Miami
John McDougall	Cody, WY	Brigham Young
Dan McGwire	Claremont, CA	Iowa
Gary McIntosh	Washington, DC	Maryland
Lance Pavlas	Tomball, TX	Texas A&M
Billy Ray	Dunwoody, GA	Alabama
Tony Rice	Woodruff, SC	Notre Dame
Vince Robinson	Jacksonville, FL	Clemson
Dennis Wallace	Carrollton, GA	Auburn

RECEIVERS

Charles Arbuckle	Sugar Land, TX	UCLA
Stanley Daniels	Catawba, NC	North Carolina
Ed McCaffrey	Allentown, PA	Stanford
Greg McMurtry	Brockton, MA	Michigan
Percy Waddle	Columbus, TX	Texas A&M
Trey Walker	Bradenton, FL	Michigan
Willie Williams	Houston, TX	LSU

RUNNING BACK/DEFENSIVE BACKS

Al Baker	Cadiz, KY	Kentucky
Anthony Burnett	Lynwood, CA	UCLA
Leroy Butler	Jacksonville, FL	Florida State
Eric Canton	Port Orchard, WA	Washington
Mark Carrier	Long Beach, CA	Southern Cal
Cleveland Colter	Tempe, AZ	Southern Cal
Torin Dorn	Southfield, MI	North Carolina
Ricky Dozier	Tarboro, NC	Winston-Salem
J. J. Flannigan	Pomono, CA	Colorado
Mark Fletcher	Acworth, GA	Georgia
Pierre Goode	Town Creek, AL	Alabama
Octavius Gould	Pemberton, NJ	Florida
Art Greathouse	Tempe, AZ	Arizona
Harold Green	Stratford, SC	South Carolina
Brad Hinkle	Olathe, KS	Kansas
Allen Jefferson	Warren, MI	Michigan
James Joseph	Phenix City, AL	Auburn
Dan Kissling	Oregon, WI	Wisconsin
Charles Lott	Electra, TX	Texas Tech
Vada Murray	Cincinnati, OH	Michigan
Mike Owens	Carlisle, PA	Syracuse
Terry Rodgers	National City, CA	Nebraska
Stacy Simmons	Dunedin, FL	Florida
Sean Smith	Opelika, AL	Auburn
Robert Stewart	Columbia, AL	Alabama
Tony Stewart	Union, NJ	Iowa
Anthony Thompson	Terre Haute, IN	Indiana
Eric Turner	Ventura, CA	UCLA
Anthony Van Zant	Hazelwood, MO	Missouri
Walker Lee Watkins	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	LSU
Harvey Williams	Hempstead, TX	LSU

INTERIOR LINEMEN

Mike Arthur	Houston, TX	Texas A&M
Henry Blades	Decatur, GA	Grambling
Dennis Brown	Long Beach, CA	Washington
Dan Cash	Spartanburg, SC	Alabama
Nigel Clay	Fontana, CA	Oklahoma
Adam Cooney	Hillsboro, OR	Washington
Jeff Davidson	Westerville, OH	Ohio State
Tom Dohring	Dearborn, MI	Michigan
Paul Glonek	Burbank, IL	Notre Dame
Cecil Gray	Norfolk, VA	North Carolina
Vance Hammond	Spartanburg, SC	Clemson
Brad Johnson	Centre, AL	Auburn
Eric Jonassen	Baltimore, MD	Penn State
Clarence Jones	Central Islip, NY	Maryland
Mike Kohlmoos	Visalia, CA	Stanford
Warde Manuel	New Orleans, LA	Michigan
T. J. Osman	Pittsburgh, PA	Michigan
Jeff Pearson	Burbank, IL	Notre Dame
Zarak Peters	Sugar Land, TX	Oklahoma
John Peterson	Middletown, OH	Ohio State
Nick Polczynski	Oconto Falls, WI	Wisconsin
Huey Richardson	Atlanta, GA	Florida
Tony Robertson	Jackson, MS	Mississippi State
Tim Ryan	San Jose, CA	Southern Cal
Michael Simmons	Tulsa, OK	Arizona State
Dave Szott	Clifton, NJ	Penn State
Andrew Walker	Norwalk, CT	Clemson
Ken Walker	Crane, TX	Nebraska
Glenn Watts	Miami, FL	Alabama
Derrick Wilson	Beaumont, TX	Houston
Willie Wyatt	Gardendale, AL	Alabama
Robert Wynn	Pine Bluff, AR	Arkansas

LINEBACKERS/DEFENSIVE ENDS

Randy Austin	Canyon Country, CA	UCLA
Ken Coleman	Dayton, OH	Ohio State
Brent Collins	Dandridge, TN	Georgia
Jim Dadiotis	Denver, CO	Notre Dame
John Foley	Chicago, IL	Notre Dame
Melvin Foster	Houston, TX	Iowa
Darrius Frazier	Hallandale, FL	Miami
Brian Jones	Lubbock, TX	UCLA
Rocen Keeton	Gardena, CA	UCLA
Willis Perguese	Miami, FL	Miami
Steve Smith	Wilmington, NC	Clemson
Marc Spencer	Birmingham, MI	Michigan
Mike Stonebreaker	New Orleans, LA	Notre Dame
Ken Vaughn	Toledo, OH	Cincinnati

KICKERS

Dirk Borgognone	Reno, NV	Tennessee
Mike Cortright	Phoenix, AZ	Phoenix JC
Alan Ward	Pensacola, FL	Alabama
John Zaleski	Chicago, IL	Notre Dame

WHO ARE YOU?

PLEASE TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF....

From time to time we at **STREET & SMITH COLLEGE FOOTBALL** have questions we'd like to ask our readers.

To do this we need help from many of you—even those who don't often answer questionnaires.

We won't take much of your time, and who knows, you may even win a compact disc player or a video cassette recorder from SONY.

Just fill in this brief questionnaire and mail the form as soon as possible. Thank you!

1. Which of these other **STREET & SMITH SPORTS MAGAZINES** do you read? (Please check as many as apply.)

Pro Football Yearbook ☐ 5-1

Basketball Yearbook ☐ -2

Baseball Yearbook ☐ -3

2. Would you be interested in subscribing to all four **STREET & SMITH SPORTS MAGAZINES**?

Yes ☐ 5-1

No ☐ -2

3. Please indicate your opinion below of the following features appearing in the College Football Yearbook.

	Very Interesting	Fairly Interesting	Slightly Interesting	No Interest
Previews	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> 7-
TV Game Schedules	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> 8-
Season Schedules	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> 9-
Action Photographs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> 10-
Advertising/Coupons	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> 11-
Personality Interviews	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> 12-
Feature Stories	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> 13-
	(-1)	(-2)	(-3)	(-4)

4. How much of this book would you say you read?

All or Practically All ☐ 14-1

About $\frac{3}{4}$ ☐ -2

About $\frac{1}{2}$ ☐ -3

$\frac{1}{4}$ or Less ☐ -4

5. In an average week during the season about how often do you refer to the College Football Yearbook?
_____ times 15-

6. Not including yourself, how many other friends or family members will read or look through your copy of College Football Yearbook?

Number of males ----- 16-

Number of females----- 17-

7. In an average week what percentage of your television viewing is spent watching college and professional sports events?

Less than 25% ☐ 18-1

25%-50% ☐ -2

50%-75% ☐ -3

100% ☐ -4

8. Do you ever take a radio or television with you when attending sports events?

Yes ☐ 19-1

No ☐ -2

PASSENGER CARS

- 9a. How many passenger cars, including station wagons, vans and 4-wheel drive cars are currently owned by all the people in your household?

Number of Cars Owned _____ 20-

None ☐ -Y

21-

24-

27-

22-

25-

28-

23-

26-

29-

For each car currently owned, please indicate:

First Car

Second Car

Third Car

b. Make (i.e. Oldsmobile, Mercury, BMW, Toyota)

c. Model (i.e. Toronado, Cougar, Celica, 318) ...

d. Year Model

30-31

32-33

34-35

e. Indicate if car was bought new or used:

New

☐ 36-1

☐ 37-1

☐ 38-1

Used

☐ -2

☐ -2

☐ -2

- 10a. Do you or other members of your household plan to buy a car in the next 12 months?

Yes ☐ 39-1

No ☐ -2

b. If yes, will it be a: Domestic Car ☐ 40-1

☐ Imported Car ☐ -2

Not Sure ☐ -3

WHO ARE YOU

SMOKING/TOBACCO

11. Do you smoke or use:

- Cigarettes ☐ 41-1 Cigarillos/Little or Small Cigars ☐ -3 Cigars ☐ -5
Pipe Tobacco ☐ -2 Smokeless/Chewing Tobacco ☐ -4 None of these ☐ -6

BEVERAGES

12. Please "X" those beverages that you personally drink (or serve) either at home or away from home. If you have mixed drinks, such as whiskey sours, check the type of liquor they contain.

- Domestic Whiskies ☐ 42-1 Wine/Champagne/Vermouth ☐ -7
Scotch/Canadian/Irish Whisky ☐ -2 Domestic Beers ☐ -8
Vodka/Rum/Gin/Tequila ☐ -3 Imported Beers ☐ -9
Brandy/Cognac ☐ -4 Bottled natural spring or mineral water ☐ -0
Cordials/Liqueurs ☐ -5 Tonic Water/Club Soda, Ginger Ale etc. ☐ -x
Schnapps ☐ -6

b. If you drink/serve beer, do you ever buy it by the case? Yes ☐ 43-1 No ☐ -2

c. In an average month, approximately how often do you entertain at home? _____ 44-

MEN'S TOILETRIES

13. Which of the following men's toiletries products do you use? (Please check as many as apply.)

- Pre-shave Lotion ☐ 45-1 After-shave Lotion ☐ -3 Shaving Cream or Gel ☐ -5
Cologne ☐ -2 Hair Grooming Products ☐ -4

SPORTS PARTICIPATION

14. Do you yourself actively participate in any sports activity? Yes ☐ 46-1 No ☐ -2

a. If so, which activities? _____ 47-

48-

HOME ELECTRONICS

15. Do you or any member of your household own a video cassette recorder? Yes ☐ 49-1 No ☐ -2

a. If so, approximately how many blank and/or pre-recorded tapes have you purchased in the past year?

Blank Tapes _____ 50-51 Pre-recorded Tapes _____ 52-53

b. Do you tape televised sports events? Yes ☐ 54-1 No ☐ -2

CHARACTERISTICS

16. Are you: Male ☐ 55-1 Female ☐ -2

17. Your age:

- Under 18 ☐ 56-1 30-34 ☐ -4 45-49 ☐ -7 60-64 ☐ -0
18-24 ☐ -2 35-39 ☐ -5 50-54 ☐ -8 65 or over ☐ -x
25-29 ☐ -3 40-44 ☐ -6 55-59 ☐ -9

18. What is your marital status?

Single ☐ 57-1 Married ☐ -2 Widowed, Divorced, Separated ☐ -3

19. Which of the following best describes your present employment status?

Employed Full-time ☐ 58-1 Employed Part-time ☐ -2 Not employed ☐ -3

If employed full or part-time:

a. What is your particular job called? _____ 59-

b. Does the job have a title? What is it? _____ 60-

c. Please indicate below the annual income you personally get from your job before taxes:

- Less than \$10,000 ☐ 61-1 \$15,000-\$19,999 ☐ -3 \$25,000-\$34,999 ☐ -5 \$50,000 or more ☐ -7
\$10,000-\$14,999 ☐ -2 \$20,000-\$24,999 ☐ -4 \$35,000-\$49,999 ☐ -6

20. What is the highest level you completed in school?

- Some High School or Less ☐ 62-1 Attended College Less than 1 year ☐ -3 College Graduate ☐ -5
High School Graduate ☐ -2 Attended College 1-3 years ☐ -4 Professional or Graduate
School After 4 years of College ☐ -6

21. What is the total combined annual income before taxes of all members of your household including yourself, that is, income from jobs as well as any other source?

- Less than \$15,000 ☐ 63-1 \$25,000-\$29,999 ☐ -4 \$40,000-\$49,999 ☐ -7
\$15,000-\$19,999 ☐ -2 \$30,000-\$34,999 ☐ -5 \$50,000-\$74,999 ☐ -8
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13. Washington
14. Clemson
15. Arizona State
16. Auburn
17. Tennessee
18. Brigham Young
19. Syracuse
20. Florida State

Street & Smith's 1986 All-Americans

OFFENSE

QUARTERBACKS
 Kerwin Bell, JR, Florida; Jim Harbaugh, SR, Michigan; Jamelle Holieway, SO, Oklahoma;
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 Todd Santos, JR, San Diego State; Kevin Sweeney, SR, Fresno State;
 Vinny Testaverde, SR, Miami

RUNNING BACKS

Steve Bartalo, SR, Colorado State; D.J. Dozier, SR, Penn State; Doug DuBose, SR, Nebraska;
 Brad Muster, JR, Stanford; Paul Palmer, SR, Temple; George Swann, SR, Miami (OH);
 Thurman Thomas, JR, Oklahoma State; Lorenzo White, JR, Michigan State

RECEIVERS

Al Bell, SR, Alabama; Mark Bellini, SR, Brigham Young; Cris Carter, JR, Ohio State;
 Keith Jackson, JR, Oklahoma; Willie Marshall, SR, Temple; Kelvin Martin, SR, Boston College;
 Trevor Molini, JR, Brigham Young; Jim Riggs, SR, Clemson; Scott Schwedes, SR, Syracuse;
 Marc Zeno, JR, Tulane

LINEMEN

Harris Barton, SR, North Carolina; Paul Bertucelli, SR, Miami; Jeff Bregel, SR, Southern Cal;
 John Clay, SR, Missouri; Dave Croston, SR, Iowa; John Davis, SR, Georgia Tech;
 Randy Dixon, SR, Pittsburgh; Bob Maggs, SR, Ohio State; Wes Neighbors, SR, Alabama;
 Gregg Rakoczy, SR, Miami; Dave Richards, JR, SMU; Ben Tamburello, SR, Auburn;
 Bruce Wilkerson, SR, Tennessee; Jeff Zimmerman, SR, Florida

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 Jeff Jaeger, SR, Washington; Carlos Revelz, SR, Tennessee; Derek Schmidt, JR, Florida State;
 Van Tiffin, SR, Alabama; Jeff Ward, SR, Texas; Martin Zendejas, JR, Nevada-Reno

DEFENSE

LINEMEN

Jerry Ball, SR, SMU; Jerome Brown, SR, Miami; Jason Buck, SR, Brigham Young;
 David Grant, JR, West Virginia; Tim Johnson, JR, Penn State; Bruce Mesner, SR, Maryland;
 Danny Noonan, SR, Nebraska; Reggie Rogers, SR, Washington; Tony Woods, SR, Pittsburgh

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BACKS

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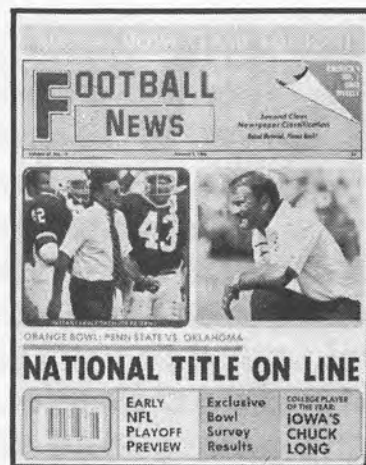
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**Ranked No.1 in some
preseason polls a
year ago, the Oklahoma
Sooners won the national
championship thanks to an
outstanding defense and
the emergence of an
exceptional freshman
quarterback.**

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● Oklahoma, in 1985, became only the seventh college football team in 50 years of wire-service polling to be ranked No. 1 before the season began and No. 1 when the season ended. However, the sportswriters and sportscasters who cast preseason votes for the Sooners may not deserve as much credit for being perceptive as the outcome suggests. The catalyst in the Sooners' flight from an October crisis to their sixth mythical national championship was the No. 2 quarterback in a freshman class that did not enroll until after the members of the media cast their ballots in August!

Jamelle Holieway became the first true freshman quarterback to direct a team to the national championship. (Bernie Kosar was a redshirt freshman in 1983 when he passed Miami to the title.) Holieway did not figure in Oklahoma's plans last summer, and his emergence underscores the capricious nature of a game in which the best-made plans can be shattered by one tackle, or altered—as in Oklahoma's case—by an unsuspecting freshman being in the right place at the right time.

When Holieway was pressed into starting duty in Oklahoma's fifth game, the Sooners had fallen to No. 10 in the polls and their expectations had been lowered, at best, to challenging Nebraska for the Big Eight Conference championship. By the night of January 1, when Oklahoma toppled Penn State, 25-10, in the Orange Bowl, the Sooners were the landslide choice as No. 1 in every poll. The principal reason was Holieway, the consummate wishbone quarterback. The lithe rookie was amazing: a runner who unraveled defenses with quickness and elusiveness, a competent passer, and a leader unexcelled in reading defenses. Barry Switzer called Holieway's play in Oklahoma's last seven games of the regular season "the best we have ever had by a quarterback." Holieway made the Sooners better than Switzer could have expected after injuries rendered the coach's offensive blueprints obsolete.

Oklahoma's preseason optimism was based on a defense that led the Sooners out of a recession in 1984, when they shared the Big Eight championship with Nebraska. The defense featured three of the best athletes ever to play their positions at Oklahoma: nose guard Tony Casillas, linebacker Brian Bosworth, and end Kevin Murphy. They gave Oklahoma a national championship look on defense.

What inspired Switzer was a revised wishbone, modeled after Air Force's balanced version and tied to quarterback

final 1985-86 college football rankings

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rank	school	record	points
1.	Oklahoma (40)	11-1	629
2.	Michigan	10-1-1	559
3.	Penn State	11-1	517
4.	Tennessee	9-1-2	454
5.	Air Force	12-1	397
6.	UCLA	9-2-1	392
7.	Texas A&M	10-2	336
8.	Miami	10-2	291
9.	Iowa	10-2	259
10.	Nebraska	9-3	217
11.	Ohio State	9-3	166
12.	Arkansas	10-2	163
13.	Florida State	9-3	138
14.	Alabama	9-2-1	106
15.	Baylor	9-3	77
16.	Fresno State (1)	11-0-1	47
17.	Brigham Young	11-3	44
18.	Georgia Tech	9-2-1	35
19.	Maryland	9-3	33
20.	Louisiana State	9-2-1	17

First-place votes in parentheses

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rank	school	record	points
1.	Oklahoma (55)	11-1	1138
2.	Michigan (1)	10-1-1	1032
3.	Penn State	11-1	990
4.	Tennessee (1)	9-1-2	957
5.	Florida	9-1-1	929
6.	Texas A&M	10-2	792
7.	UCLA	9-2-1	767
8.	Air Force	12-1	755
9.	Miami	10-2	699
10.	Iowa	10-2	621
11.	Nebraska	9-3	500
12.	Arkansas	10-2	495
13.	Alabama	9-2-1	484
14.	Ohio State	9-3	409
15.	Florida State	9-3	359
16.	Brigham Young	11-3	228
17.	Baylor	9-3	184
18.	Maryland	9-3	158
19.	Georgia Tech	9-2-1	128
20.	Louisiana State	9-2-1	126

Troy Aikman, a 6-4 sophomore with an NFL arm, and a promising but largely unproven group of running backs. Aikman, slower than Oklahoma's wishbone quarterbacks of the past, was recruited when the Sooners used the I-formation and needed a passing complement to tailback Marcus Dupree. By the time Aikman signed, Dupree was gone; by the time he enrolled, the Sooners were back in the wishbone. Without an experienced quarterback and impressed with what Air Force had accomplished with modest talent, Switzer opted for a wishbone that would utilize Aikman's passing and neutralize his so-so running by relying primarily on the halfbacks and fullbacks to carry the ball. On the eve of the Sooners' opener at Minnesota, Switzer envisioned his team having "the best offense we have ever had."

But it was the defense, à la 1984, that carried the Sooners through victories over Minnesota, Kansas State, and Texas. Their offense sputtered. It was not the fault of Aikman. His best linemen were injured and so were the most experienced running backs. Aikman was about the only offense the Sooners had. They dropped to No. 2, behind Iowa.

Turning Point in the Season

In game four, against Miami, everything changed. Casillas was sidelined by an ankle injury the preceding week. Without him, Oklahoma had no pass rush and Miami's sophisticated offense could do as it pleased. When the Sooners played a straight defense, Miami quarterback Vinny Testaverde ravaged them with artistic passes. When OU used five and six defensive backs, the Hurricanes ran effectively. Yet, Aikman had outgained Testaverde in passing yards and also had a long touchdown run nullified (when it was ruled he stepped out of bounds) before he suffered a broken leg in the second quarter. Miami won, 27-14. Holieway, who relieved Aikman, demonstrated his quickness as a runner but completed only one of six passes.

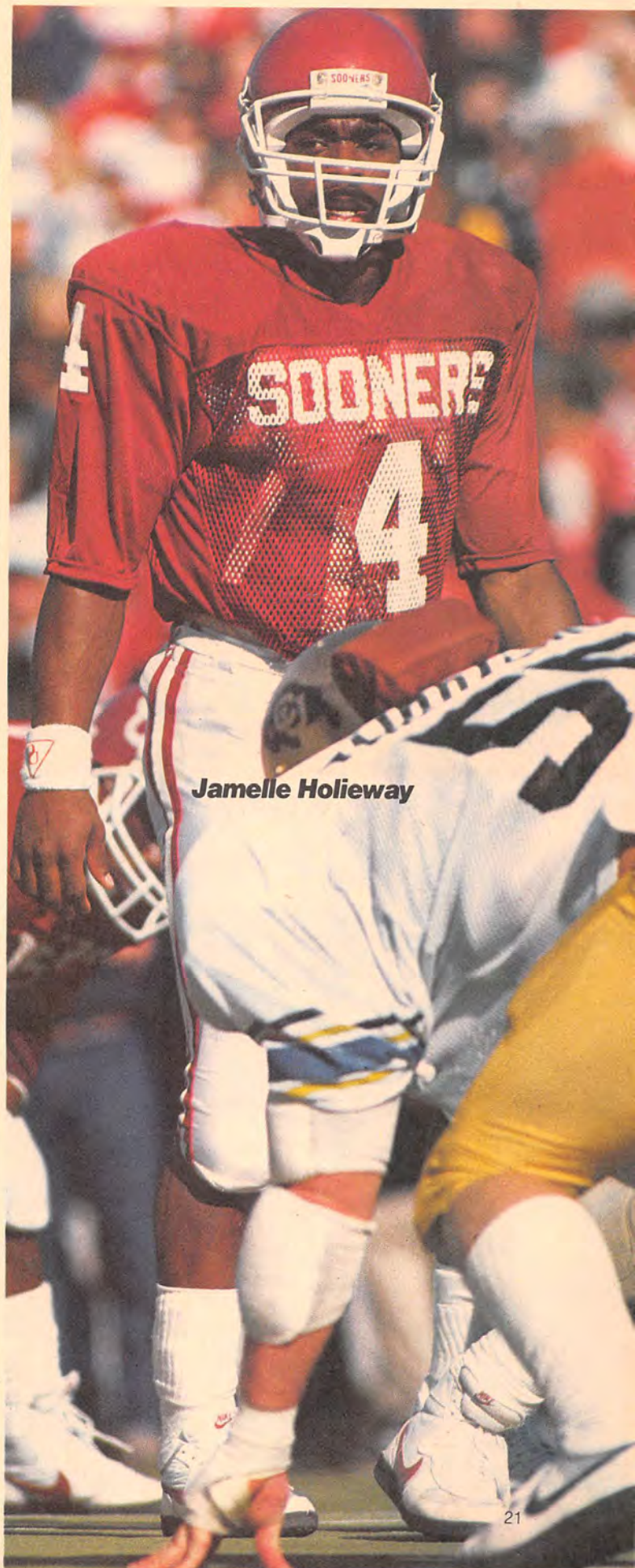
"We can still be a good team but the chance to be a great team is gone," Switzer said at the time. "Troy showed what we knew he could do. We do not [now] have the dimension he gave us." In other times, Switzer often said, "You gotta be lucky to win them all."

Oklahoma was lucky. Holieway took over at an ideal time. The pressure to be No. 1 was off. The easiest part of the schedule was starting and four of the next five games were in Norman. The offensive linemen and most of the running backs were healed or healing.

Interestingly, Miami coach Jimmy Johnson was more perceptive than Switzer about how the game would alter Oklahoma's future. "I think we turned Oklahoma into a great team by hurting Aikman," Johnson said. He explained he did not doubt Aikman's ability to execute the offense that fascinated Switzer. But from his experience, first as an Oklahoma assistant who appreciated the time it took to master the wishbone blocking schemes and second as head coach at Miami of a passing offense who was amazed by how much time it took to excel in pass blocking, Johnson doubted that the Sooners' linemen could become proficient in both areas—at least at the level to which Switzer aspired. With Holieway in the lineup, Johnson reasoned, OU would revert to its less complex, run-run-run wishbone days "and be a helluva team."

Johnson was correct. But no one could imagine Holieway being quite so exceptional. He is slightly over 5-8 and weighs 180. As a schoolboy at Carson, Calif., Holieway was considered too small to be a college quarterback by recruiters in the Pacific-10 conference. Southern California tried to recruit him as a defensive back. OU viewed him highly as a triple-option operative. But the freshman quarterback who

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Jamelle Holieway

excited the Sooners and commanded VIP attention in recruiting was Eric Mitchel, who was bigger, faster, and stronger than his classmate. Holieway, though, played an option offense in a sophisticated high school program and was a student of the game. He was so advanced mentally that he quickly became the backup to Aikman. There was no question who would take over when Aikman was disabled.

Questions persisted about Holieway's durability and passing. Furthermore, Oklahoma's staff had spent six months installing an offense designed for Aikman. Surprise! Holieway made it unnecessary to change. The emphasis

Tony Casillas

John Williamson



changed to running but the plays were the same. Holieway was not in Aikman's league as a passer, but he was better than most of his predecessors. He completed 24 of 58 passes for 517 yards and five touchdowns.

Holieway's running rarely left much need to pass. And his durability was surprising. He was a 20-carry workhorse and never injured, partly because elusive moves made it difficult for opponents to hit him flush. "He is like tackling a ghost," Switzer said. Holieway surpassed 110 yards rushing in four games. He broke Jack Mildren's school record with 324 yards total offense against Missouri. His harvests were not achieved entirely against the likes of Iowa State and Kansas. He rushed for 110 yards against Nebraska and 126 yards against Southern Methodist. He led Oklahoma in rushing, with 990 yards (he suffered 129 yards in losses), and averaged 5.3 yards per carry. Yet Holieway's most amazing talent, Switzer thought, was his ability to read defenses.

"He made only one wrong read in his first start," Switzer said. "He did not make any in his second start. It's hard to believe an 18-year-old freshman can do that. We have had good players who could not read defenses like that as seniors. Jamelle's poise and intelligence are amazing." With Holieway lighting the fuse, Oklahoma's offense exploded with a flurry of 500-yard games and led the nation in rushing with averages of 374 yards per game and 5.9 yards per play.

Meanwhile, Oklahoma's defense dominated as expected. The Sooners ranked first in total defense and passing defense and No. 2 in scoring defense and against the run. Casillas, despite missing three games, won the Lombardi Award, and some NFL scouts called him the best defensive line prospect since Randy White. Bosworth, a sophomore with a rare combination of speed, intelligence, and rage, received the first Butkus Award as the nation's outstanding linebacker and was named Big Eight Conference defender of the year. Murphy, a star in 1983 before Casillas surfaced and when Bosworth was a redshirt, had to be content with a few All-America honors. Darrell Reed, the other end, was also outstanding. Free safety Ricky Dixon was the only big-time talent in the secondary, but a dominating front minimized deficiencies there. Lou Holtz, after his Minnesota team was hard pressed to make first downs against Oklahoma, said, "That is the best college defense I have ever seen." The Sooners allowed 12 touchdowns, and eight of them were set up by turnovers.

Oklahoma's offense never reached the overall level of its defense. It did not have a prolific halfback or fullback, as was the case during the 1970s, when the Sooners had Greg Pruitt, Joe Washington, and Billy Sims. But seven running backs combined to complement Holieway, and tight end Keith Jackson, another sophomore who is the best to play his position at Oklahoma, ripened into a prolific threat as a receiver and as a runner on end-arounds. He ran 88 yards for a touchdown against Nebraska.

Bowl Roundup

With solid kicking, the Sooners became a complete team, as they proved in the Orange Bowl when Penn State—"by far the best defensive team we played," Switzer said—gave Holieway his comeuppance by forcing fumbles and throttling the option. Oklahoma's resourcefulness and all-purpose strength prevailed. Holieway passed 71 yards to Jackson for one touchdown, fullback Lydell Carr ran 61 yards for another, the defense smothered Penn State after an opening touchdown, and interceptions set up four field goals by kicker Tim Lashar.

The national championship was the third for Switzer. His

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teams won back-to-back titles in 1974 and 1975. Oklahoma won national championships under Bud Wilkinson in 1950, 1955, and 1956. Only Notre Dame, with seven, has more won national titles in the Associated Press poll.

"Oklahoma did everything a national championship team has to do," said Joe Paterno, whose Penn State team was No. 1 going into the Orange Bowl.

For all of Oklahoma's skills, it took an assist from Tennessee to assure the Sooners the No. 1 ranking. Miami's convincing victory over Oklahoma at Norman, and 10 straight victories since an opening loss to Florida, created a suspenseful prospect prior to New Year's Day and the No. 1 voting, provided Oklahoma defeated Penn State and Miami defeated Tennessee in the Sugar Bowl. But Tennessee plundered Miami, 35-7.

Besides Iowa, Michigan and Florida spent time on the No. 1 seat. Michigan, like Penn State, was unranked in the pre-season after coming off a 6-6 record in '84 but rebounded around a magnificent defense. Bo Schembechler's Wolverines lost the Big Ten conference showdown to Iowa, 12-10. Iowa lost to Ohio State, 29-13, and was routed by UCLA, 45-28, in the Rose Bowl. Florida was tied by Rutgers, 28-28, and the Gators (on NCAA probation) saw their 16-game unbeaten streak under Galen Hall ended by Georgia, 24-3.

Michigan eased the Big Ten's pain of another Rose Bowl loss by defeating Nebraska, 27-23, in the Fiesta Bowl and finishing No. 2 in the polls. Lorenzo White, a Michigan State sophomore, gave the Big Ten additional bragging rights by leading the nation in rushing, with 2,066 yards. Penn State, in one of Paterno's finest coaching performances, finished third. Tennessee was fourth in Johnny Majors's best season (9-1-2) since returning to his alma mater in 1977. The Vols, like Oklahoma, had to regroup after quarterback Tony Robinson was disabled. Daryl Dickey, the 24-year-old fifth-year senior and son of athletic director and former coach Doug Dickey, rallied the Vols. But the man they toasted after

Brian Bosworth

John Williamson

shackling Miami was wily defensive coordinator Ken Donahue, a longtime aide to Bear Bryant at Alabama before being hired by Majors in 1985.

Another school that finally lived up to expectations was Texas A&M. In its fourth season under Jackie Sherrill and ignoring allegations of recruiting infractions involving star quarterback Kevin Murray, A&M won the Southwest Conference championship and smashed Auburn, 36-16, in the Cotton Bowl to finish sixth in the AP poll.

In another of Terry Donahue's fine pieces of work, UCLA relied on a strong defense to reach the Rose Bowl for the third time in four years. The Bruins won their fourth straight bowl game, thanks to second-stringer Eric Ball's 227 yards rushing and four touchdowns, and rose to seventh.

Air Force, which can no longer be called a surprise, concluded its best season by humbling Texas, 24-16, in the Bluebonnet Bowl to finish 12-1 and eighth. Miami and Iowa fell to ninth and tenth, respectively.

Among the more surprising teams were Colorado (7-5), Minnesota (7-5), Fresno State (the only unbeaten Division 1 team, at 11-0-1), and Arizona State (8-4). Among the more disappointing teams were Southern Cal (6-6), Illinois (6-5-1), Southern Methodist (6-5), Washington (7-5), Houston (4-7), Pittsburgh (5-5-1), and Missouri (1-10).

College Football's Winners and Losers

Auburn tailback Bo Jackson won the top individual honor by shading Iowa quarterback Chuck Long for the Heisman Trophy. Ohio State tailback Keith Byars, expected to provide Jackson with strong competition for the award, was handicapped by injuries. Boston College nose guard Mike Ruth won the Outland Trophy. Besides Casillas, Ruth's leading rivals were defensive tackles Mike Hammerstein of Michigan and Leslie O'Neal of Oklahoma State.

Scandals tarnished the Southwest Conference. Coach Jim Wacker of Texas Christian blew the whistle on his team, after

Troy Aikman

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one game, for recruiting infractions that occurred before he was hired. Wacker doomed TCU to a winless conference record by dismissing All-America halfback Ken Davis and six other players. Subsequently, published allegations were leveled against Texas A&M, Texas Tech, and Houston. Texas conducted an internal investigation of less serious improprieties. Southern Methodist was placed on NCAA probation before the season began.

In a year when parity seemed to have arrived with a roar, two of the more stunning upsets in a decade occurred on successive Saturdays in October, when two perennial losers defeated establishment powers. Defending national champion Brigham Young was shocked, 23-16, by Texas-El Paso, winless and possessing the nation's worst five-year record in Division 1-A. Washington, expected to contend for the national championship, was upset, 21-20, at home by Oregon State. Washington's defeat was made more incredible by the finish. The Huskies, who pride themselves on having the best kicking game in the country, lost when Oregon State blocked a punt in the end zone.

Twenty Division 1-A schools changed coaches. The brightest spotlight was on Notre Dame. With time running out on a five-year contract that Notre Dame doggedly honored against pressure, Gerry Faust resigned and the Irish quickly hired Lou Holtz from Minnesota. Faust was hired by Akron.

The awful pressure on coaches was illustrated at Texas. Fred Akers, with a record of 91-38-2 and only two years since missing the national championship by the margin of a fumbled punt, came under fire and dismissed several assistants. Akers can only hope he rebounds with the swiftness of his former Arkansas classmate Switzer.

Switzer's Rebuilding Success

Oklahoma's return to the top came two years after Switzer, the nation's winningest active coach (126-24-4 record), was on thin ice. Twelve losses in three years, personal and finan-

cial problems, and publicity about a disciplinary breakdown and low graduation rates drew fire. These flaws, not surprisingly, seemed to bother Switzer's superiors at Oklahoma more in a year (1983) when Dupree quit and the Sooners did not go to a bowl.

Switzer began to lay the groundwork that led to the 1985 national championship. The Bosworth class provided the defensive foundation in 1984. Holieway became the offensive cornerstone. Holieway's importance is illuminated by Switzer's preseason projections for Oklahoma's backs and what they actually produced. He visualized fullbacks Carr and Earl Johnson rushing collectively for 2,000 yards, halfback Spencer Tillman regaining his 1,000-yard form of 1983, and halfback Damen Stell totaling 1,000 yards as a rusher and receiver. Johnson suffered a disabling knee injury in the opener and the fullbacks amassed 775 yards. Tillman was plagued by a pulled hamstring and rushed for only 242 yards. Stell suffered an ankle injury in preseason practice and gained just 164 yards.

The slack was reeled in by halfback Patrick Collins, a sophomore, who scored the decisive touchdown against Texas on a 45-yard run, and by two of Holieway's freshman classmates: Leon Perry, a ferocious blocker with the speed and power to play all three running-back positions—which he sometimes did in the same game—and halfback Anthony Stafford, a little flyer. Mitchel also dazzled in mopup roles and might have been the star had Holieway gone to Southern Cal. At times, the Sooners started four freshmen and seven sophomores—and only three seniors. "I don't believe a team ever won the national championship by playing this many freshmen and sophomores," Switzer said.

This rookie-laden team that fulfilled the media's preseason forecasts might not have contended had adversity not forced the Sooners to play a freshman quarterback whom most voters had never heard of when they cast their No. 1 ballots in August.

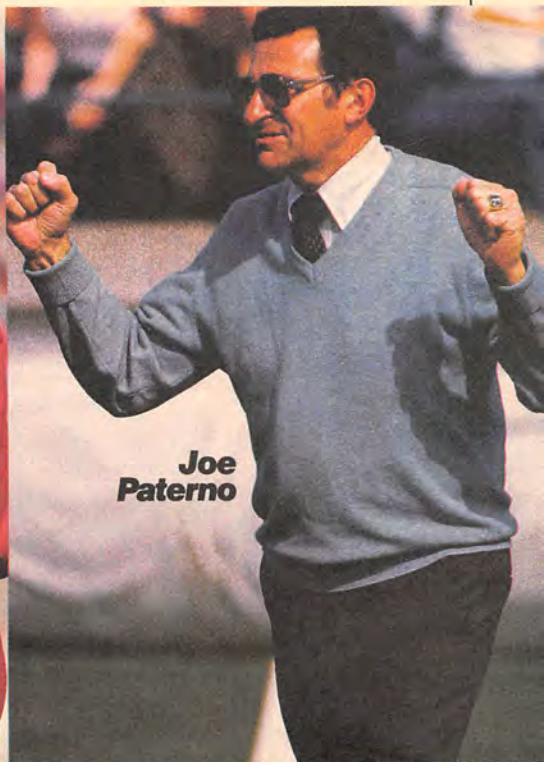
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GATOR Florida State 34/Oklahoma State 23
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1. Fresno State, 2. Nevada Las Vegas, 3. Cal State Fullerton, 4. Long Beach State, 5. San Jose State, 6. Pacific, 7. Utah State, 8. New Mexico State

western football conference

1. Santa Clara, 2. Sacramento State, 3. Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, 4. Portland State, 5. Cal State Northridge, 6. Cal Lutheran, 7. Southern Utah

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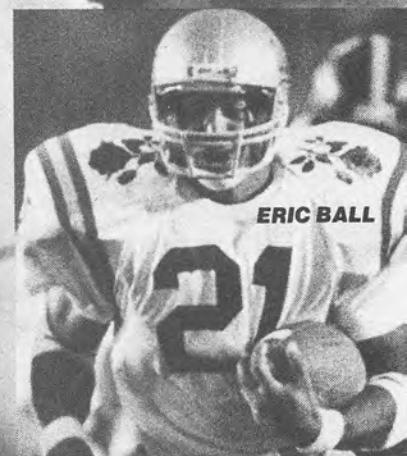
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Tight end . . . Derek Tennell . . . SR . . . UCLA
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Guard . . . Mark Stephenson . . . SR . . . Cal State Fullerton
Center . . . Joe Tofflemire . . . SO . . . Arizona
Place-kicker . . . Jeff Jaeger . . . SR . . . Washington
Kick-returner . . . Kilrick Taylor . . . SR . . . Washington State

defense

Line . . . Reggie Rogers . . . SR . . . Washington
Line . . . Terry Turney . . . JR . . . UCLA
Line . . . Dan Saleaumua . . . JR . . . Arizona State
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Back . . . Tim McDonald . . . SR . . . Southern Cal
Back . . . James Washington . . . JR . . . UCLA
Punter . . . Mike Schuh . . . SO . . . Arizona State

GASTON GREEN
UCLA



West

by DWIGHT CHAPIN SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER

● Terry Donahue has spent a lifetime proving that you don't have to follow normal channels to succeed. He was a 170-pound high school linebacker with no college scholarship offers who walked on at UCLA and became a two-year starter as a 196-pound tackle. He then talked his way onto Pepper Rodgers' staff at Kansas University as an unpaid assistant. And eight years later, in 1976, he became a 31-year-old college head coach, replacing Dick Vermeil at UCLA.

Many thought he was too young to win big, and too low key to make much of a stir in Tinseltown. But Donahue stayed, and conquered, maybe because he changed only a few things. Personally, he's much the same as he always has been. Quiet, earnest, steady. "I'm a moderate, a middle-of-the-roader, in most everything I do," he says. Professionally, he significantly altered his philosophy just once, half a dozen years ago. "It became apparent to me that you not only have to win in Los Angeles, you have to entertain people," he says. "We were winning plenty, but in the eyes of some people we weren't entertaining enough." Donahue veered away from the veer-T offense he had grown to love and put in a passing attack that has compiled all sorts of school records. And the balance of run and pass has brought spectacular success.

Donahue is now the winningest coach in UCLA history (80-31-6). His winning percentage of .709 ranks him ninth among active college coaches with at least five years of service. And he's become the only coach besides Bear Bryant to lead his team to four consecutive New Year's Day victories. In those same last four seasons, the Bruins have won three Pac-10 titles and been ranked in the final wire-service top 10 three times.

Maybe of even more lasting importance, considering the market in which they operate, the Bruins have crawled out from under the large shadow cast by the USC Trojans. A major factor in this emergence was a move from the Los Angeles Coliseum, which the Bruins used to share with the Trojans, to the Rose Bowl as home field in 1982. That was the start, perhaps, of forging a lasting identity.

In the Donahue decade, UCLA has changed its image from the "gutter, little Bruins" to a Pac-10 powerhouse, talent-rich and tenacious. Donahue is proud, particularly, of

the tenacity. "We're always going to keep coming after you," he says.

Frequently under Donahue, the Bruins haven't started well. But they almost always finish that way. Like their coach, they've become a model of consistency. There's not much doubt that UCLA, propelled by perhaps the country's finest collection of collegiate running backs, will be a heavy favorite to successfully defend its Pac-10 title this season.

The schools with the best chance to change that scenario seem to be Washington, looking to rebound after an uncharacteristically lackluster season, and Arizona State and Arizona, which have matured into consistently strong Pac-10 contenders and may be about to capture a first-ever league championship. Southern California is "iffy" this year; California and Stanford both dangerous, at least; the Bears perhaps about to make a breakthrough.

It's difficult to see anyone breaking Fresno State's high-soaring balloon in the Pacific Coast Athletic Association, especially now that Nevada Las Vegas coach Harvey Hyde has been fired because of off-the-field actions by players he couldn't seem to control. Santa Clara, directed very well in 1985 by new head coach Terry Malley, appears the class of the Far Western Conference, which will swell to seven teams with the addition of the Southern Utah Thunderbirds of Cedar City, Utah.

pacific-10 conference

UCLA

Getting right down to basics, this should be a very good football team. If Terry Donahue can rebuild his offensive line and kicking game and develop his young players—among them perhaps the top freshman class in the country—it could be a great football team.

The potential is awesome. Start with running back, where Donahue has no less than six players who would start at most other schools. There are two All-America candidates at tailback alone: junior Gaston Green, who rushed for 712 yards last season despite missing almost five full games with an injury, and sophomore Eric Ball, who rushed for 703 yards and 11 touchdowns, and destroyed Iowa in the Rose Bowl with 227 yards and four TDs. Behind them is junior James Primus, who checked in with 471 yards himself. At fullback there is similar depth: junior Mel Farr (337 yards), senior Marcus Greenwood (301), and fine sophomore Danny Thompson.

The quarterback will be senior Matt Stevens, who led the Bruins to their smashing Rose Bowl victory after playing in relief of David Norrie most of the year. All-time leading Bruin receiver Mike Sherrard has graduated, but there's still plenty of talent among the pass catchers in senior Karl Dorrell (39 receptions), who's coming off shoulder surgery, fleet junior Willie Anderson, and reserves Paco Craig and Bob Garibaldi, plus senior tight end Derek Tennell (24 receptions).

Three integral parts of an offense that helped fashion a 9-2-1 record (6-2 in the Pac-10)—guards Mike Hartmeier and Jim McCullough and tackle Rob Cox—are among the missing, and Donahue is fretting a little. But

senior Joe Goebel (6-5, 260) is a capable center and juniors John Kidder (6-5, 265) and Russ Warnick (6-5, 255) both have played extensively at tackle. The keys are the guards, senior Jim Alexander (6-4½, 257) and Otto Zwaneveld (6-5½, 258), who were valuable reserves last year. It's possible newcomers will have an impact. If so, look for freshman tackle Lance Zeno (6-4, 255), considered by some the country's best prep at his position.

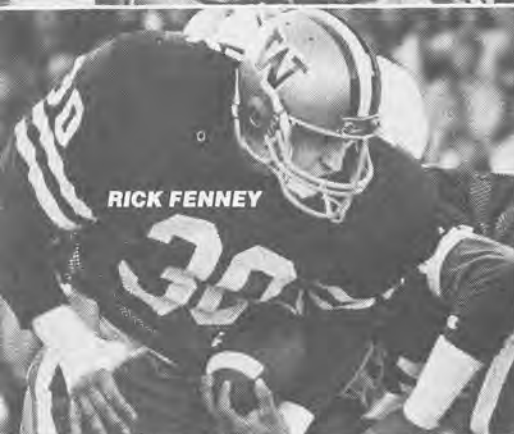
The Bruins led the nation in rushing defense in 1985, allowing just 70.3 yards a game. Line-man Mark Walen, the Pac-10 defensive player of the year, all-Pac-10 linebacker Tommy Taylor, and linebacker Steve Jarecki have departed, but all the other starters return, in what should be a brilliant cast.

All-America candidate Terry Turney (6-2, 232) anchors the line at nose guard, backed ably by sophomore Jim Wahler (6-4, 238). The tackles should be senior Frank Batchkoff (6-5, 244), a returning starter, and junior Jeff Glasser (6-4, 242), with junior Doug Wassel (6-3, 244) in reserve. Junior Ken Norton (6-2, 222), a budding star, and either junior David Simpson (6-1, 202) or senior Greg Bolin (6-2, 231) are the likely inside linebackers, with a pair of tough juniors—Melvin Jackson (6-3, 223) and Eric Smith (6-3, 222)—returning outside. The secondary, which is back intact, will include senior Chuckie Miller (5-9, 178) and junior Dennis Price (6-2, 174) at the corners and second-team All-America James Washington (6-1, 196), a junior who led the team in





REGGIE ROGERS
Washington



RICK FENNEY



ROD JONES



CHRIS CHANDLER

tackles (109) for the second straight year and had five interceptions, and underrated senior Craig Rutledge (6-0, 187) at safeties.

Donahue's only dilemma seems to be how to replace his entire kicking game—two-time All-America John Lee, punter David Henderson, and kickoff specialist James Bray. Red-shirt freshman Alfredo Velasco and senior Dave Franey will battle for Lee's job; sophomore Harold Barkate and freshman Kirk Maggio are the front runners for Henderson's spot, and Wes Denton could fill Bray's post. How well they do should determine just how far this richly talented team can go.

WASHINGTON

"We had problems in every area," says Don James. "We ranked fifth in the league defensively and eighth offensively. We got punts blocked. We just weren't a solid team. We have to improve everywhere."

Figure that his Huskies will, after a 7-5 season (5-3 and tied for fourth in the Pac-10) that ended with a Freedom Bowl victory over Colorado. James has 14 starters back, plus 14 other players who started at least once. There are skilled hands like Chris Chandler at quarterback and Reggie Rogers in the defensive line and potentially the conference's best kicking game—1985's woes notwithstanding.

Junior Chandler (6-3½, 205), the Freedom Bowl MVP, looks like a born leader. He'll be directing seven veteran running backs, topped by oft-injured senior fullback Rick Fenney (497 yards rushing despite missing five games, all Husky losses), sophomore tailback Vince Weathersby (467 yards and 46 receptions), sophomore Tony Covington, and junior David Toy. And there's quality if not proven quantity at wide receiver in senior Lonzell "Thrill" Hill (46 catches for 696 yards) and junior Darryl Franklin (23 receptions) and three excellent tight ends, headed by senior Rod Jones (6-3½, 226).

The offensive line will feature senior Kevin Gogan (6-6½, 287) and sophomore Brett Wiese (6-3½, 276) at tackle, senior Mark Larsen (6-6, 254) and sophomore Mike Zandofsky (6-2½, 277) at guard, and sophomore Greg Yandt (6-4, 266) in place of Dan Eernisse at center. Gogan and Zandofsky are returning starters. Possible breakthroughs are transfer Rick McLeod (6-6, 260) at tackle and senior Garth Thomas (6-3, 248) at guard.

Senior tackle Rogers, a solid cast of young linebackers, and a deep group of safeties will try to lead the defense back. Rogers (6-7, 250) had 112 tackles, including 15 for losses, and eight sacks. Seniors Steve Alvord (6-4, 266), disappointing last year, and Steve Roberts (6-4½, 238) should work up front with him. Linebackers Joe Kelly and Ron Hadley have departed but James expects a lot from juniors David Rill (6-0, 218), who led the team with a whopping 187 tackles, Bo Yates (6-1, 210), and Tom Erlandson (6-2, 216) and sophomore Mark Poole (6-2, 220). Redshirt junior Albert Tufono (6-1, 215) figures, too.

In the secondary, the Huskies look best at safety with incumbent senior starters Tim Peoples (6-1½, 193) and Allen James (6-0, 199). Sophomore Tony Zackery (6-3, 180), a fine all-around athlete who started half the season at safety, has been moved to cornerback, where Ron Milus and Vestee Jackson are gone. Veteran backups Demouy Williams (5-10½, 177) and Art Malone (5-10, 182) will be contesting him for starting roles.



JEFF VAN RAAPHORST
Arizona State



TRACE ARMSTRONG

SHAWN PATTERSON

Punter Thane Cleland and place-kicker Jeff Jaeger will be back for their fourth season as regulars. Cleland has averaged 38.7 yards a kick and Jaeger has 63 field goals and is closing in on John Lee's NCAA mark of 79. There are questions, but the guess is James will answer them—despite a schedule that opens with Ohio State, Brigham Young, and USC—and return the Huskies to where they almost always are. First or second in the Pac-10, and in a big-name bowl game.

ARIZONA STATE

The Sun Devils came within a single quarter of gaining their first-ever trip to the Rose Bowl last year, and don't be surprised if they're that close—or closer—this time. Back from a team that was only three points (a 16-13 loss to Arizona) away from Pasadena are 15 starters, eight on offense, seven on defense. Second-year head coach John Cooper is smiling.

Returning to run the offense is senior quarterback Jeff Van Raaphorst, who has two straight 2,000-yard seasons passing and has completed 57.5 percent of his attempts. He'll again be throwing to junior split end Aaron Cox, who caught 40 passes for 788 yards and five TDs, senior flanker Bruce Hill, and three capable tight ends: seniors Jeff Gallimore (6-3, 239) and Stein Koss (6-3, 226) and junior Chris Garrett (6-4, 222). The crucial offensive spot is running back, where starters Mike Crawford and Vince Amoia are gone, taking almost 1,100 yards with them. Cooper will look first to backups Darryl Harris (442 yards) at tailback and Darin Tupper (5-11, 216) at fullback, but redshirt Linden Keiffer and reserve Channing Williams are in the picture.

Only tackle David Fonoti is missing from the offensive line. Back are senior tackle Danny Villa (6-5½, 277), who could be one of the best on the west coast, junior guards Randall McDaniel (6-4½, 257) and Todd Kalis (6-6, 267), and senior center Kevin Thomas (6-3, 262). Junior Jim Warne (6-7, 285) likely will be the other tackle.

The defense, which shut out two opponents and held its foes to just 126 yards a game on the ground en route to an 8-4 record and the Holiday Bowl, certainly will miss All-America safety David Fulcher and inside linebackers Greg Battle and John Knight. But there's plenty left to build around, starting with senior outside linebacker Scott Stephen (6-2½, 224). The front four is back intact. Seniors Jim Reynosa (6-5, 257) and Skip McLendon (6-5½, 264) are at end and senior Dan Saleaumua (6-1, 290), who missed spring drills, and junior Shawn Patterson (6-5, 239) at tackle. Key reserves Frank Rudolph, Larry McGlothen, Trace Armstrong, and Taleni Wright all return.

Juniors Stacy Harvey (6-4, 227) and Pat Taylor (6-2½, 228) have the inside track on replacing Battle and Knight, although Greg Clark and redshirt freshman Mark Tingstad could figure. Juniors Eric Allen (5-11, 185) and Anthony Parker (5-10, 177), who had seven interceptions between them to help the Sun Devils rank second nationally (with 26), again are at cornerback while senior Darren Willis (5-10½, 170) and either sophomore Robby Boyd (6-1½, 195) or junior Steve Johnson (5-10, 180) are the probable safeties.

ARIZONA

Larry Smith is playing it cautious. He says he'd like to run more, score more, hit more big plays. He's concerned about his depth at tight

end and new faces in the secondary. He's worried about the overall strength of the Pac-10. But don't let any of that fool you. The Wildcats can play with the big boys now. They were 8-3 overall last season, 5-2 and tied for second in the conference, and tied Georgia in the Sun Bowl. And almost all the key performers are back: 17 starters in all.

Big senior quarterback Alfred Jenkins (1,767 yards passing) again will direct an attack that is loaded with good receivers: senior Jon Horton (43 catches for 685 yards), junior Jeff Fairholm (22 for 340), and sophomores Derek Hill and Kip Lewis. Senior David Adams (team-leading 511 yards) returns at tailback and Chris McLemore at fullback.

The veteran front is minus only tackle Curt DiGiacomo. Converted senior guard Brian Denton (6-6, 285) will play in his spot, with senior Reed Clayton (6-6, 289) at the other tackle, seniors Val Bichakas (6-2, 281) and Frank Arriola (6-3, 273) at guard, sophomore Joe Tofflemire (6-2, 255), a second-team all-Pac-10 choice in his rookie season, at center, and senior Ryan Vickers (6-2, 221) at tight end, where Smith is moving in ex-linebackers Tim Hicks and Vince Lott for support.

The 'Cats' chief area of concern seems to be the secondary, where Allan Durden, Don Be'Ans, and Gordon Bunch, all contributors to a 28-14-3 record over the last four seasons, have departed. That leaves junior strong safety Chuck Cecil (6-0, 182), a second-team all-league choice, the man on the spot. He'll likely start with three 1985 backups: senior cornerbacks Troy Cephers (5-10, 181) and Martin Rudolph (5-10, 179) and junior free safety Eugene Hardy (5-11, 185).

The rest of the defense looks tough, particularly the linebacking corps of seniors Byron Evans (6-2, 217), Brent Wood (5-10, 211), and Danny Lockett (6-3, 221). Evans, who broke Obra "The Cobra" Erby's team record with 118 unassisted tackles and led the Pac-10 with 188 total en route to an all-conference season, will play inside with Wood. Lockett will be joined outside by junior Boomer Gibson (6-4, 218), replacing Craig Vesling. The line again will include senior Stan Mataele (6-1, 284), junior Jim Birmingham (6-2, 262), and sophomore Dana Wells (6-1, 249), with Birmingham moving from his Sun Bowl spot at nose guard back to tackle.

Punter Ruben Rodriguez (40.4-yard average) returns, but there's a big hole to fill at place-kicking, with the departure of Max Zendejas, who hit 22 of 29 field goals and all 23 PAT attempts. Untested Jeff Valder, Mike Merrill, and Robert Kersey compete for his job.

The 'Cats were within a couple of good breaks of winning the Pac-10 title each of the last two seasons. They figure to be right at the door again, and could get through this time if Smith can successfully open up his offense a little, if the smallish Adams (5-6, 163) can stay healthy, and if the new people in the secondary can play close to as well as the old ones.

SOUTHERN CAL

The bright promise of 1985 was wiped out by injuries and offensive inefficiency, and the Trojans slumped to a 6-6 record (5-3 and tied for fourth in the Pac-10) that culminated with an Aloha Bowl loss to Alabama. There are simply too many uncertainties left to figure Ted Tollner's team will do much better this time.

The biggest question is whether sophomore quarterback Rodney Peete, who has great

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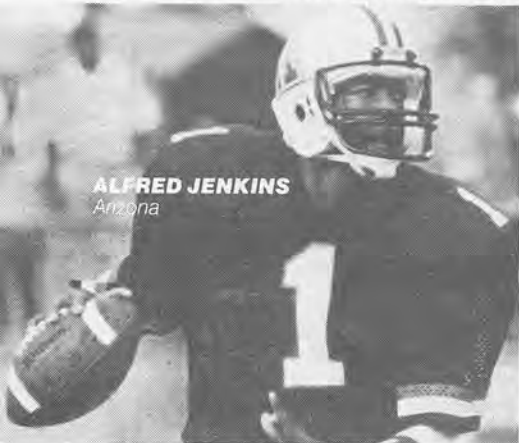
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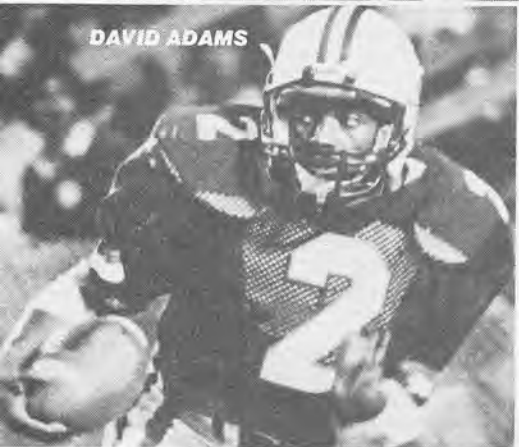
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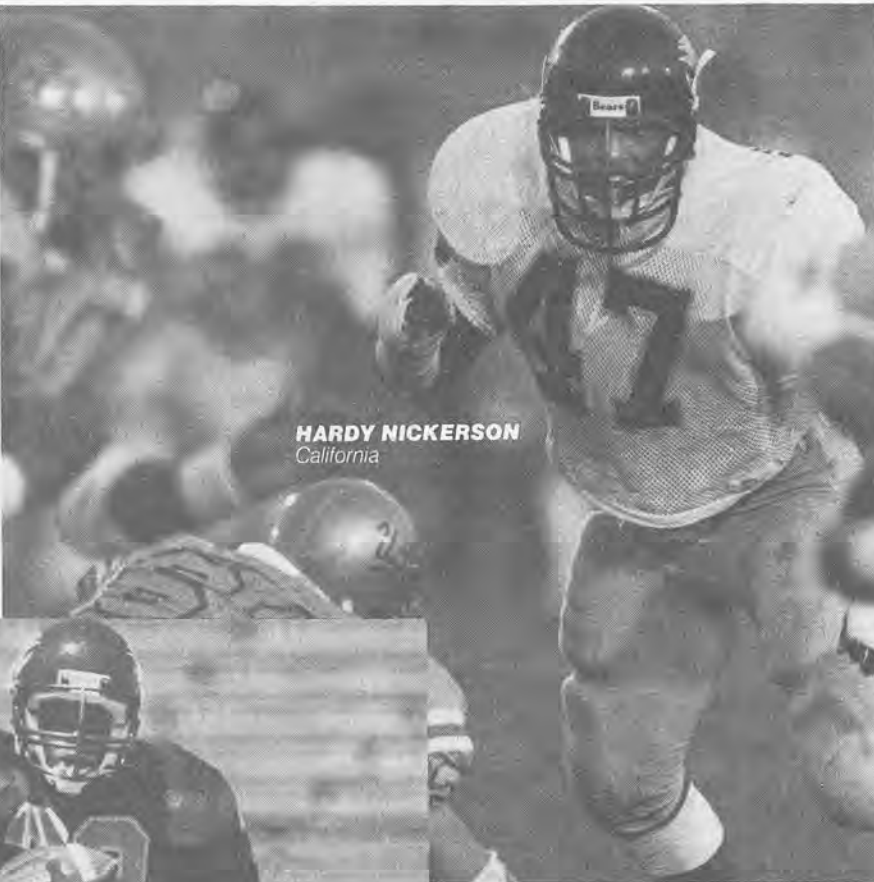


ALFRED JENKINS
Arizona



DAVID ADAMS





HARDY NICKERSON
California



MARC HICKS

tools, can bounce back from a torn Achilles' tendon suffered at the end of last season. He missed spring drills. If he can't go, the quarterback will be junior Kevin McLean or transfer Jason Schmid. Tollner will give them some new plays and formations to work with, but Troy averaged just 339.3 yards and 18.6 points a game in '85.

Tailback, as usual, should be no problem with junior Ryan Knight (732 yards rushing) and sophomore Aaron Emanuel (472 yards in only seven games), but senior Todd Steele may have to struggle to replace productive fullback Kennedy Pola. Top pass catchers Joe Cormier and Hank Norman are gone at tight end and split end, too, but senior Erik McKee and sophomore Paul Green should do just fine at tight end and junior Ken Henry has ability at split end. The three top candidates at

flanker—junior Randy Tanner, senior Al Washington, and sophomore Gene Arrington—all are coming off serious knee injuries.

The offensive line starts with consensus All-America guard Jeff Bregel (6-4, 280), who'll line up next to all-Pac-10 nominee David Cadigan (6-5, 265), a seasoned junior, at strong-side tackle. James FitzPatrick, Gaylord Kuamoo, and Tom Hallock leave a huge void on the weak side, and Tom Cox is gone at center. Either senior Bruce Parks (6-5, 270) or transfer John Katnik (6-2, 250) should replace Cox; John Page (6-5, 275), Mark Sager (6-5, 275), John Guerrero (6-4, 300), and Brent Parkinson (6-6, 235) are at tackle or guard.

The Trojans were ranked 12th in the nation in total defense last season and the potential is bright again, although Tollner is concerned about his line, which graduated Tony Colorito, Matt Koart, and Brent Moore. Only one returnee—junior nose guard Gary Willison (6-4, 255)—has had any appreciable playing time, so freshmen Tim Ryan (6-5, 240), Gene Fruge (6-4, 260), Jim Ramirez (6-5, 245), and Don Gibson (6-3, 250) might figure.

The rest of the defense looks solid. Aggressive senior Sam Anno (6-3, 225) and leading tackler Keith Davis (6-1, 230) return at inside linebacker, along with junior Rex Moore (6-1, 225). Junior Marcus Cotton (6-4, 215), an all-conference-caliber player, will be at outside linebacker, with senior Ron Brown (6-5, 210), transfer Bill Stokes (6-3, 220), or redshirt freshman Cordell Sweeney (6-4, 215) probable opposite him. All-America senior Tim McDonald (6-3, 205) may be the best safety in the country. He'll likely team with senior Junior Thurman (6-0, 170), with senior Lou Brock (5-11, 175) and redshirt junior Greg Coauette (6-3, 210) at the corners.

CALIFORNIA

It may be best not to disturb the Bears this season. Sure, they were only 4-7 in 1985, have some serious holes in their offensive line and defensive secondary, and are little more than Cubs almost everywhere. But make no mistake, Joe Kapp has some talent now and some depth and some speed. He's also recruited very well and may be ready to make a move up in the Pac-10.

Given good health and more playing time, sophomore Marc Hicks (538 yards rushing on just 106 carries) could get them there all by himself. No doubt he's Cal's best runner since Chuck Muncie. The record book awaits. Hicks will work minus help from Dwight Garner and Ed Barbero this time. Sophomore Todd Powers (6-2, 215) may open at fullback, with passer Kevin Brown (1,447 yards) or runner Brian Bedford (157 yards rushing, 6 TDs) at quarterback—unless Kapp decides to alternate them again. Smallish junior Vince Delgado (30 catches for 358 yards) should be a potent force at one wide receiver, with James Devers (26 catches) likely to step in for Keith Cockett at the other. Senior Don Noble (6-3, 230) has plenty of talent at tight end if healthy.

Kapp's main offensive worry is replacing linemen like all-conference tackle Keith Kartz, Mark Stephens, and Ron Zenker. Junior Blaise Smith (6-3, 250) will be at one guard, with former starting defensive tackle Doug Riesenberger (6-7, 270) likely at one tackle and sophomore Dave Zawatson (6-5, 250) or fifth-year senior Joe Tupy (6-4, 255) at the other. Juniors Lou Sergeant (6-4, 255) and Kam King (6-3, 240) will vie at one guard and part-time starters Brad Jackman (6-3, 240) and Chuck Steele (6-1, 225) will try to hold off whopping transfer Robert Dos Remedios (6-3, 280) at center.

Look for the defense, young and very quick, to be much better if replacements can be found for Matt Grimes, David Carter, and Ken Pettway in the secondary. Three sophomores—Ron Sebahar (6-5, 245), Majett Whiteside (6-2, 250), and Natu Tuatagaloa (6-4, 230)—should start up front. Nose guard Whiteside was a freshman All-America. The leader at linebacker, as usual, is "The Hardware Man," senior Hardy Nickerson (6-3, 230), who's headed for an All-America season. He'll be teamed again with senior John Geringer (6-0, 205) and co-starters John Johnson (6-1, 225) and Mel McClanahan (6-1, 220). JC All-America Ken Harvey (6-3, 225) or sophomores Steve Hendrickson (6-1, 220) and Ken Bernard (6-3, 225) could join them.

Mainstays in the secondary are senior cornerbacks Gary Hein (5-11, 170) and Sidney Johnson (5-11, 175), who may work with junior safety Darryl Stallworth (6-0, 190), a part-time starter, and sophomore Derek Taylor (5-11, 180). But room may have to be made for brilliant freshman Travis Oliver (6-1, 175).

Place-kicker Leland Rix, who was inconsistent last year (9 out of 16 field goals), figures to be better. Left-footed Scott Tabor, a JC All-America who averaged 41.1 yards a kick, should win a punting job that was a problem in '85, although all-purpose Hicks is ready.

STANFORD

The Cardinal has some wonderful offensive weapons, including the best quarterback-running back tandem on the Pacific Coast in John Paye and Brad Muster. But any hope for improvement in a 4-7 record (3-5 in the Pac-10)

depends on a defense that surrendered 30 or more points in six of the seven defeats.

Coach Jack Elway awaits the return of acknowledged leader David Wyman, a 6-2, 235-pound senior inside linebacker who missed last season after knee surgery. But he'll need help from a line that had trouble a year ago. Honors candidate Tony Leiker (6-4, 245) is secure at one tackle, but there's a fight among juniors Joe Lortie (6-4, 243) and Sean Scheller (6-6, 252) and redshirt freshman Lester Archambeau (6-5, 235) at the other. Junior Eric Volta (6-2, 243) is back at nose guard.

The inside linebacking spot opposite Wyman is wide open. Sophomores Barry McKe-

ever (6-3, 241) and Kevin Richardson (6-3, 216) are in the picture, but top tacklers Matt Soderlund and Jack Gilmete will be missed. Senior Chris Weber (6-4, 218) and junior Kurt Colehower (6-1, 234) return outside, pressed by senior Mike Noble (6-4, 233).

Quality depth is a real concern in the secondary, even though three starters—senior cornerbacks Walt Harris (6-1, 195) and Toi Cook (6-0, 190), both fine players, and junior Brad Humphreys (6-2, 194), the team's third-leading tackler—all return, and a fourth, sophomore safety Sam Sutherland (out with personal problems in the spring), might.

Offense, as usual on the Farm, is potentially much better. Paye, a definite All-America candidate, has thrown for 5,349 yards in three seasons, fourth-best ever at a school known for quarterbacks. Junior running back Muster (6-3, 219) rushed for 521 yards and six TDs and caught a conference-record 78 passes for 654 yards and four more TDs, despite missing two games with a bruised sternum. They'll be joined by tailback Kevin Scott and fullback Brian Morris.

The receiving corps looks improved with junior Jeff James (42 catches for 658 yards), converted running back Thomas Henley (30 catches), and veterans Spencer Cotten and Carl Morris, but tight end Greg Baty (61 catches) leaves a hole. Junior Eric Snelson (6-3, 237) may replace him, but freshman Ed McCaffrey (6-6, 220) warrants a look.

The Cards' No. 1 recruit, tackle Mike Kohlmoos (6-6, 260), will try to break into a solid line that will include four returnees: tackle Jeff Marchin (6-4, 255), guards Andy Sinclair (6-3, 264) and Tom Nye (6-2, 246), and center Kurt Josephson (6-3, 250).

WASHINGTON STATE

The Cougars simply didn't play very well in a season in which they were supposed to—finishing 4-7 overall and 3-5 (good for seventh place) in the Pac-10—and with the likes of offensive stars Mark Rypien and Rueben Mayes gone, it's difficult to see them making a significant move this season.

As if things weren't uncertain enough in both lines and the backfield, Jim Walden's team has to play all nine of the other conference teams, probably quite a bit too much to handle. Senior Ed Blount, who has running talent (208 yards and a 5.94-yard average) but hasn't yet proven he can pass, will replace Rypien at quarterback, with often-hurt senior Ken Grandberry (441 yards rushing) pretty much all alone at running back. If Blount can get it to them, there are plenty of able receivers—seniors Kitrick Taylor (33 catches for 489 yards), who's also an ace return man, Rick Chase (37 catches for 411 yards), Michel James, Cotton Sears, and Mark Bircher.

And senior Chris Leighton (6-3, 220) should be just fine teaming with Mel Orchard (6-4, 220) at tight end. But there's a lot of youth in the rest of the line, where the only starters back are sophomore tackle Mike Utley (6-7, 270) and senior guard Ian Lindner (6-5, 248). Backups Rod Durand (6-6, 267), Alan Boatman (6-1, 256), and Mitch Dillard (6-4, 231) could move up at tackle, guard, and center, respectively, although sophomore Chris Dyko (6-7, 267) should be in the hunt at tackle, too.

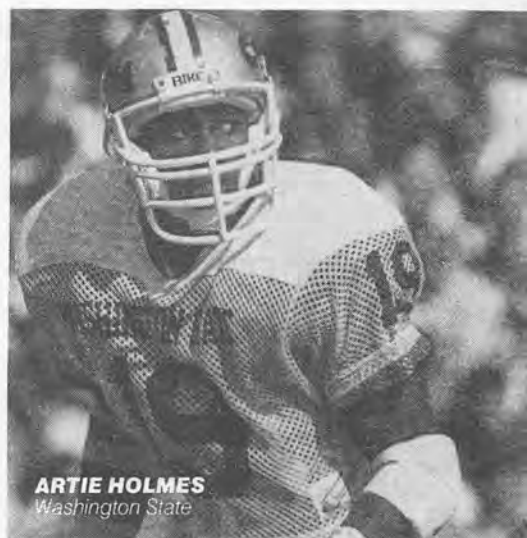
Six of the team's top defensive linemen have departed, leaving sophomore tackles Nick Volk (6-2, 228) and Ivan Cook (6-2, 237) and junior end Marvin Adams (6-6, 234) as the



BRAD MUSTER
Stanford



JOHN PAYE



ARTIE HOLMES
Washington State



RICKY REYNOLDS



ED BLOUNT



CHRIS MILLER
Oregon

only Cougars who've played a down. They may start by default, perhaps with sophomore Chris Hiller (6-4, 240) or redshirt freshman Mark Ledbetter (6-4, 222) at end. Walden thinks sophomore Brian Forde (6-0, 207) is already one of the three best middle linebackers in the league, and junior Dean Turulja (6-3, 191) and senior Jeff Loomis (6-1, 225) should be just fine at the outside spots. Redshirt freshman Andre Washington (6-2, 220) could also help quickly.

There should be no problems in the secondary, with senior cornerbacks Ricky Reynolds (6-0, 176) and Erwin Chappel (5-11, 182), backed by Shawn Landrum, Bo Christian, and Roosevelt Nobles, and safeties Artie Holmes (6-0, 187) and Ron Lee (5-11, 184), both sophomores, and seniors Kevin Thomason (5-11, 183) and Ron Collins (5-10, 187).

OREGON

Despite having some of the best big-play people in the conference, the Ducks couldn't win the close games in 1985 and finished 5-6 (3-4 and in sixth place in the Pac-10). The major problem was an uncharacteristically soft defense that gave up 437 yards a game—worst in the league. Rich Brooks figures to find a way to improve the defense, but the offense—minus workhorse running back Tony Cherry and receivers Lew Barnes and Scott Holman—is the chief concern now.

There's one offensive star back: senior quarterback Chris Miller, who threw for a school-record 18 touchdowns and completed more than 55 percent of his passes. The question is whether he'll have to carry too much of

the load this season. Starting with Miller will be an inexperienced cast that should include fourth-year junior James Harper (5-9, 187) or second-year freshman Latin Berry (5-11, 185) at tailback; senior Kevin Willhite (6-0, 211), his brother, sophomore Randy Willhite (6-1, 201), or big transfer Reggie Nettles (6-1, 225) at fullback; junior J.J. Birden (5-10, 161) and transfer Sam Archer (6-1, 170) at wide receiver; and Bobby DeBisschop (6-2, 224) and Tim Parker (6-5, 243) at tight end.

Brooks also is quite concerned about replacing offensive tackles Greg Schwab and Drew Smetana. Juniors Jeff Stefanick (6-5, 247) and Mark Brown (6-5, 263) are likely to open, but converted guard Tony Borba (6-3, 262) could contend. Senior Brad Smith (6-4, 257), the Ducks' most experienced lineman, will be one guard, with fifth-year senior Mike Erlin (6-4, 246) or Stanford transfer Erik Arnsen (6-5, 237) the other, and senior Garrett Holmes (6-3, 264) back at center.

Brooks is hoping for a better rush out of his front four: senior tackle Dave Maley (6-4, 275), junior tackle Rollin Putzier (6-5, 275), sophomore end Matt Brock (6-5, 251), and junior end Rob Marshall (6-6, 232). Massive freshman Patrick Cunningham (6-6, 289) could break in here. There are a trio of experienced linebackers in seniors Dan Devaney (6-3, 221), Darrin Golka (6-3, 219), and John Wolf (6-1, 211). Sophomores Mark Blakey (6-3, 222) and Scott Kozak (6-3, 218) played a lot because of injuries to Devaney and Wolf. Doug Judge and Ron Johnson are gone in the secondary, but senior Ed Hulbert, the top returning tackler, is back at free safety and junior Anthony Newman (6-1, 201) at cornerback. They may be joined by veterans Don Brown, Cliff Hicks, and Tim Cooper, or transfer LaRoy Montgomery (6-0, 175).

Brooks seems confident his defense will be a lot better, but even Miller's brilliance may not be enough to save a questionable offense. One other note: the Ducks must play bowl teams in five straight games early in the season.

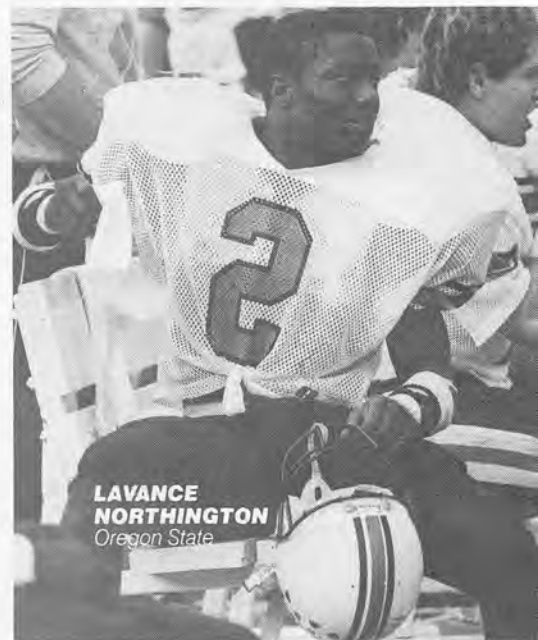
OREGON STATE

Dave Kragthorpe's passing game really didn't have much chance to get off the carpet in Corvallis last season. Quarterback Erik Wilhelm went down early with a knee injury and Kragthorpe, in his first year as Beavers' head coach, had to toss freshman Rich Gonzales to the Pac-10 wolves. Things look better in '86, because Wilhelm and Gonzales return and will be joined by transfer Dave McLaughlin.

They'll be without ace receiver Reggie Bynum but will have senior flanker Dave Montagne (29 catches) and sophomore tight end Phil Ross (27 catches), along with transfer Roland Hawkins. Finding the time to throw, however, could be a problem, as Gonzales and Wilhelm were sacked 43 times in '85 for 312 yards in losses, and two line starters have graduated. Kragthorpe will look to senior tackle Darrick Brilz (6-3, 264) and senior guard Dave Giacomelli (6-4, 272), along with seven new players, headed by guard Rocky Emery (6-3, 268), tackle Paul Hopkins (6-4, 265), and center Dave Orndorff (6-1, 260).

Departed fullback Darvin Malone had 554 yards rushing, 391 more than anybody else on the team, but Kragthorpe is hoping for good production from tailbacks Carl Lane, Erick Montgomery, and Jerry Jordan, who totaled just 90 carries among them. And there's even less experience at fullback, where junior Eric Hochevar was the spring starter.

The defense, which gave up an average of 33 points a game in a 3-8 season (2-6 in the Pac-10), returns eight starters, led by senior cornerback Lavance Northington, the team's best player, a second-unit all-Pac-10 choice who topped the conference with seven interceptions. Back up front are senior end Gino



Mingo (6-1, 250) and junior tackles Phil Alfieri (6-3, 250) and Rich Haggerty (6-2, 259). Senior Paul Carberry (6-3, 262) is the front runner to join them. There's no question at middle linebacker, where junior Jeff Schneider (6-0, 233) was in on 119 tackles, but outside backers Harold Johnson (6-1, 221) and Paul Saunders (6-1, 234) both had troubles in the spring. If they can't go, look for transfers Terry Page (6-2, 220) and Dave Stoedter (6-1, 231) to figure prominently. Sophomore Don Odegard (6-0, 184) started 10 games at free safety and senior Scott Monson (5-7, 179) has experience at cornerback. Others looking for action are junior corner Brian McElroy and sophomore safety Duane Hughes.

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FRESNO STATE

Jim Sweeney had one of those seasons coaches dream about in 1985: an 11-0-1 finish, a PCAA championship, a victory in the California Bowl, and a No. 16 ranking in the final UPI poll. This season might be almost as dreamy, if Sweeney can find some new horses in his offensive and defensive lines.

Kevin Sweeney (yes, the son of the coach) is back for his senior season at quarterback, and he'd be a leading All-America and Heisman Trophy candidate if he played in a conference of more renown. He's the NCAA's No. 9 all-time passer (8,260 yards) and has a good chance, barring injury, to break Doug Flutie's career record. All his major weapons are back, too—running backs James Williams (1,107 yards), Kelly Skipper (474 yards), and Anthony Mosley; wide receivers Stephen Baker (29 receptions for 844 yards) and Gene Taylor (30 for 545), and tight end Paul Pflug, the conference's best blocker at his position.

The question is protection for Sweeney and friends. Seniors Mike Savage (6-4, 250) and Brad Heier (6-2, 240) are experienced centers, and senior Mike Chuhlantseff (6-2, 245) knows his way around at guard. But the other guard and the tackles will be new. Redshirts Mike Withycombe (6-6, 265) and Jeff Skidmore (6-5, 280) and transfer Steve Franciosi (6-4, 265) are the chief hopes at tackle; transfer Paul Portesi (6-3, 250) may fit in at guard.

The defensive concern is replacing star linemen Chris Pacheco and Victor Burnett. There are two quality returnees in second-team, all-PCAA end Greg Ramsey (6-4, 245) and senior end Mark Olson (6-4, 230), but there figures to be a scramble at nose guard involving 5-7, 165-pound senior Jon Corippo ("A very unusual person," Sweeney says). The linebacking corps looks excellent with seniors David Grayson (6-3, 225) and Cliff Hanneman (6-3, 235) outside and promising junior Anthony Nunn (6-2, 235) and perhaps JC All-America Chris Rinehart (6-0, 230) inside. Seniors Greg Williamson and Byron Nichols should move in capably at the corners, with all-PCAA choice Mike Stewart at one safety and fine junior Rod Webster at the other.

Junior place-kicker Barry Belli (conference record 100 points in 1985) is outstanding, and JC punter Dave Bass has the skill to replace Mike Mancini.

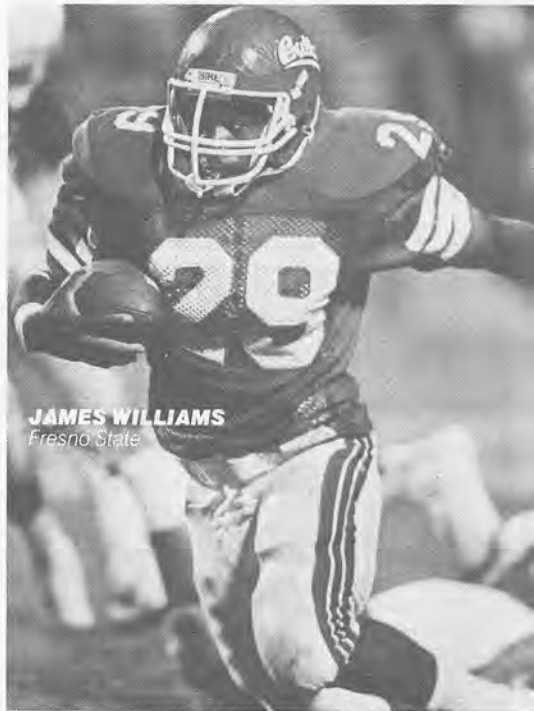
NEVADA LAS VEGAS

The Rebels relied a little too much on the PCAA's best defense last season. While it was good for third place (4-2-1) in the conference,

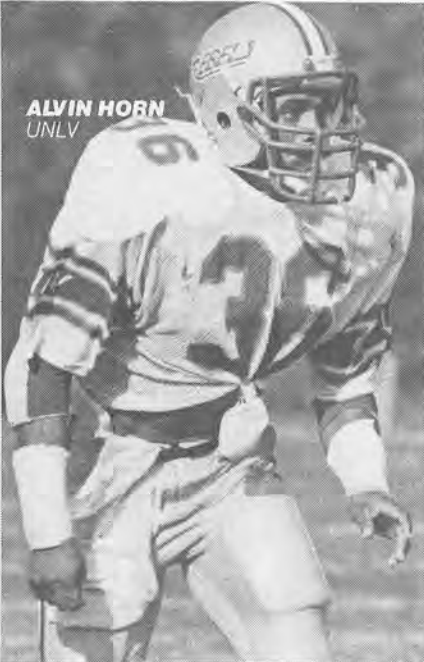
it produced only a 5-5-1 overall record. Coach Harvey Hyde lost his job in April after a series of off-field transgressions by players. New coach Wayne Nunnely is looking for more balance this season, and much depends on talented tailback Kirk Jones, who fell off to 790 yards rushing in 1985 after 1,090 in 1984. But this still looks like an upper echelon team that could push mighty Fresno State.

The offensive key besides Jones is a rebuilt line that will contain only a couple of experienced players: senior tackles Al Dominique (6-6½, 240) and Jim Moreno (6-5, 277). There are quality receivers in junior George Thomas (21 catches for 297 yards) and senior Tony Gladney (6-3, 197) and a fine tight end, junior Chris Bridges (6-2½, 215). Steve Stallworth, who threw for 1,920 yards and completed 54 percent of his passes, will try to hold off some promising newcomers at quarterback.

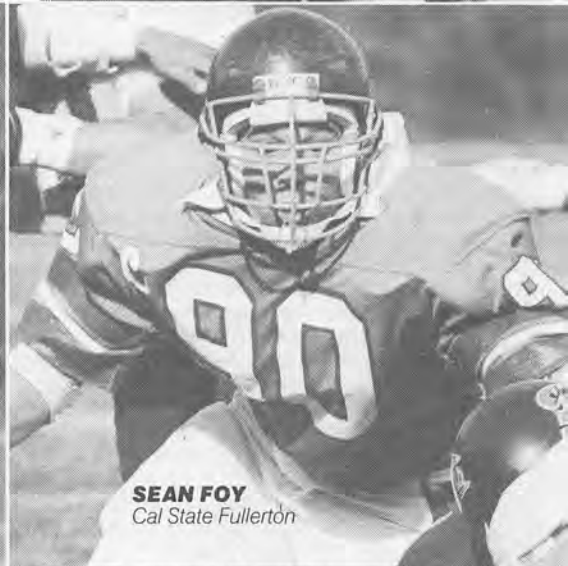
The defense, which learned on the job in '85, has experience now in senior linemen Marion Knight (6-2, 260) and Charles Wiley (6-2½, 255), junior inside linebacker Darnell Pickens (6-3, 235), and senior backs Alvin Horn, David Hollis, and Teddy Nelson. Linebackers Darryl Knox and Gentry Walsh are gone, but juniors Adrian Harris (6-2, 210) and Andre Horn (6-3, 210) will replace them.



JAMES WILLIAMS
Fresno State



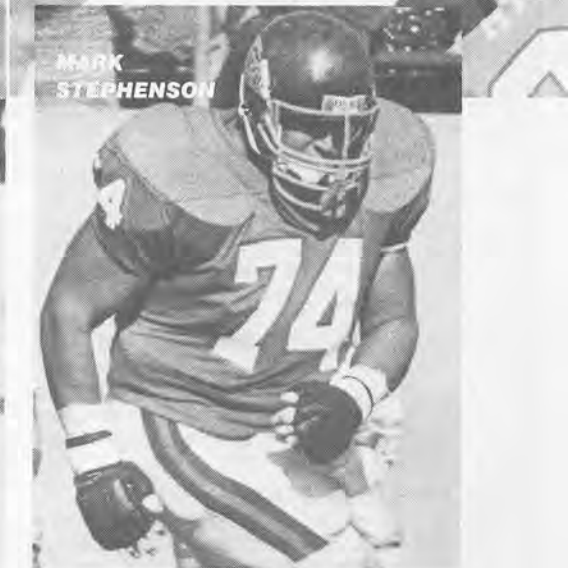
ALVIN HORN
UNLV



SEAN FOY
Cal State Fullerton



KIRK JONES



MARK STEPHENSON

CAL STATE FULLERTON

Gene Murphy's Titans had to win their last four games to finish 6-5 (5-2, second in the PCAA), and it may be a struggle to do even that well this season, since 20 lettermen, including All-America cornerback Mark Collins and the "Corpsmen"—a quartet of gifted wide receivers—are gone, and there is inexperience at several positions.

Sophomore Tony Dill, who started the final four at quarterback, probably will direct an attack that will include leading rusher Rick Calhoun (747 yards) and Mark Hood (237 yards), both seniors, at running backs, junior Jim Thornton (6-3, 240) at tight end, two-time all-PCAA pick Mark Stephenson (6-3, 285) at tackle, and junior Ed Gillies (6-5, 250) at guard. But the probable wide receivers, junior Todd White and sophomore John Gibbs, caught a total of only four passes.

The Titans may have to win with a defense that returns eight starters: senior nose guard Jim Baioa (6-1, 240), senior tackle Ron McLean (6-4, 255), who went out in the third game last season with a knee injury; junior tackle Kelly Gogerty (6-3, 245), linebackers Sean Foy (6-0, 210), Ted Hinton (6-2, 205), Bryan Riggs (6-2, 215), and Bill Bryan (6-2, 220), last season's top Titan freshman; and junior free safety Tom Phillips (6-3, 195), a 4.0 student. Redshirts Tyrone Pope and Reggie Hill may open at corners with one of two senior lettermen—Trent Baker or Andre Harris—replacing Mike Romero at strong safety.

LONG BEACH STATE

Record-setting quarterback Doug Gaynor is gone, and so are hopes for a California Bowl berth that were dashed in the final two games of a 1985 season that ended with losses to Fresno State and Cal State Fullerton and a 6-6 record (4-3 in the PCAA). But Mike Sheppard thinks the 49ers have a chance to be better if his new quarterbacks—sophomore Jeff Graham and senior Gary Ruhlén—develop and he gets needed running balance from sophomore tailbacks Michael Roberts and Brian Browning, who have shown promise catching the ball as well as running with it.

Senior Charles Lockett is a brilliant receiver (69 catches for 949 yards and 10 TDs), senior Mark Templeton caught 62 passes for 500 yards from his fullback spot, and senior Greg Locy had 38 receptions for 502 yards at tight end. The offensive line talent is less defined, but all-conference performer Joe Iosefa (6-3, 300) will be back at one tackle and senior Mike Lilly (6-3, 270) at the other, with junior Spencer Battle (6-3, 275) at one guard. The big loss is center John Stapleton.

Defensively, linemen Chuck Meierbachtol and Tom Hensley and linebackers Dave Carter and Kevin Moore are gone, but Sheppard can call on some other tough linebackers in seniors Steve Rahon (6-2, 220) and Curtis Cummings (6-2, 225) and junior Mike Prescott (6-4, 220) and some fine deep backs in senior free safety Roger Beavers, senior Val James, and junior Lane McCarthy. Other defenders who figure prominently are senior tackle Don Hiti (6-2, 245), veteran corners Stacey Alexander and Ron Frost, and redshirt linebacker Ronnie Knight (6-1, 217).

SAN JOSE STATE

Injuries chewed up the Spartans last season, and their impact still clouds the picture for Claude Gilbert, whose team is coming off a



K. C. CLARK
San Jose State

GREG CALCAGNO
Santa Clara



poor 2-8-1 record (2-4-1 and sixth place in the PCAA). No less than 22 players were sidelined in 1985, and only one returnee—senior guard David Diaz-Infante (6-2, 247)—started all 11 games at the same position.

Looking to help make amends are players like senior running backs K.C. Clark, who rushed for 429 yards after being switched from strong safety, and Randy Walker (team-leading 32 pass receptions), veteran wide receivers Kenny Nash (29 receptions) and Stephen Crawford, and senior tight end Cortez Thomas (6-2, 204), who'll be used more this year. If he's recovered from a season-ending knee injury, senior tackle John Aimonetti (6-3, 275) has the tools to be one of the best on the west coast, and there are other line veterans in junior tackle Mike Barnard (6-6, 254) and senior center Don Teague (6-2, 260). Junior Doug Allen (1,717 yards passing) probably



CHARLES LOCKETT
Long Beach State

will guide the offense again, but he could be pushed. Gilbert wants more firepower.

Defensively, the building blocks are three seniors: tackle Wayne Woodard (6-4, 244), outside linebacker Sam Kennedy (6-3, 219), and safety Larry Weldon (6-1, 188). Others who figure to contribute are linemen Mace Gouldsby (6-1, 278), Mark Dean (6-1, 245), and Teddy Taylor (6-1, 278); linebackers Bill Lehman (6-4, 218) and Rafael Santini (6-0, 225), and smallish deep backs John King, Edwin Climons, and Freddie Payton.

PACIFIC

The Tigers' wishbone offense worked well the last five games but the defense didn't match it. A 5-7 season (including a second straight 2-5 PCAA finish) was the result. Bob Cope is hoping for a little coordination this time.

Senior quarterback Hue Jackson (1,089 yards passing, 506 rushing) is back to run the 'bone, and he'll work with a couple of senior running backs: James Mackey (385 yards rushing) and Tim Richardson (6-0, 215), returning after suffering a broken clavicle. Top receivers Gene Thomas and Kurt Heinrich are gone but there are a pair of seniors to replace them in Mike Phillips (5-8, 148) and Scott Morrison (5-10, 175). There's a scramble at tight end, but the rest of the line should be a strength with five seniors: center Steve Clower (6-3, 245), tackles Bill Gorham (6-5, 245) and Aaron Fike (6-4, 240), and guards Chris Allen (6-2, 265) and Robert Zoig (6-4, 255).

The outlook also looks better in the defensive line, which should also be filled with seniors: Kelvin Harden (6-1, 260), Savaii Seay (6-1, 260), Rich Sarris (6-2, 225), Carl Hancock (6-1, 200), and Andy Franks (6-3, 250). Nick Holt is gone at linebacker but senior Jeff Plunkett (6-2, 215) is back, and he led the team in tackles. Sophomore Mike Hawkins (6-2, 215) and redshirt freshman Chad Kurashige (6-0, 205) are among those bidding to start along with him inside, but there are big holes to fill outside. The secondary, decimated by injuries in 1985, will include senior safety Ron Talbot and sophomore corners Greg Koperek and Pat Weisensee, plus some promising JC transfers.

UTAH STATE

Nothing wrong with the Aggie defense. It was the PCAA's best against the rush last season and third overall. Seven starters are back, led by senior linebacker Al Smith (6-1, 230), who established a school season record for tackles; and first-team, all-conference end Jim Pauciello (6-4, 240) and senior end Mike Mraz (6-4, 245), who had 16 sacks to lead the PCAA even though he missed three games.

But the offense gave new coach Chuck Shelton, late of Drake University, heartburn when he looked at 1985 game films. Shelton loves to throw the football and the Aggies didn't throw it very well in a 3-8 season (3-4 and fifth place in the PCAA) under Chris Pella. Returning quarterbacks Brett Stevens and Tom Ponich thus may get some stern competition as Shelton looks for the right arm. There are a few quality offensive players back, including leading rusher Glen Crawford (495 yards), all-PCAA second-team guard Navy Tuiasosopo (6-0, 305), senior tackle Greg Sinott (6-8, 290), sophomore tight end Tom James (6-4, 225), and junior kicker Dene Garner. Others who figure prominently on offense are running back Timo Tagaloa (5-11, 220), transfer tackle Matt Hanousek (6-4, 245), JC



DARRYL FORD
New Mexico State

receivers Troy Turner and Richard Rollins, and frosh receiver Pat Newman.

Shelton will be working with senior linebacker James Jenkins (6-0, 208), who's switching from inside to outside, senior tackle Kevin Young (6-5, 260), junior free safety Darrin Long, and senior cornerback Ray Farris, as well as sophomore tackle Brian Hunsaker (6-5, 240), junior tackle Gary Hulsey (6-5, 295), transfer linebacker Wade Harman (6-1, 235), who like Hanousek played at Drake, and frosh deep back Melvin McFarland.

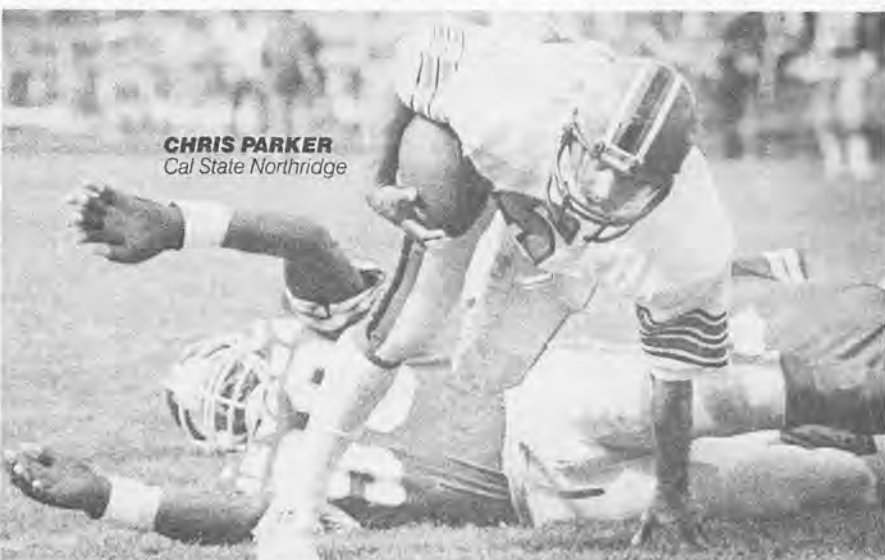
NEW MEXICO STATE

A 1-10 record brought a pink slip for Fred Zechman, and former Miami Hurricane assistant coach Mike Knoll, whose forte is defense, will see what he can do about turning around a sorry situation in Las Cruces.

He could be the right man for the job, as the Aggies were at the bottom of every PCAA defensive category while giving up 369 points. Knoll perhaps should be buoyed a bit by the fact only two defensive starters have departed. Included among the returnees are linebackers Darryl Ford (team-leading 154 tackles) and Bobby Kinder and cornerback Calvin

Henry. Trying to do something about stopping the opposition before they get to that trio will be returning starter Mike Williams (6-3, 240) and newcomers Johnny Walker (6-3, 250), Tilton Gray (6-4, 250), and Bobby Antee (6-4, 245). Senior D'Andre Collins (6-1, 195) should be at the other linebacker, with returnees Dennis Owens, Lloyd Bradley, and George Nedd or converted fullback David Rider joining Henry in the secondary.

Six starters return on offense, led by junior quarterback Jim Miller (2,024 yards passing in 10 games), who could be a star. Running back/kick returner Joe Rowley ran for 459 yards, caught 57 passes, and led the conference in all-purpose rushing with 140 yards a game. Senior wide receiver Luis McDonald (37 catches) also is on hand. Other starters back are guard Jon Dickens (6-3, 245), who probably will play at center, tackle Jon Roberts (6-3, 265), and receiver Paul Schroeder (6-0, 180). Joining them are tackles Ken Rose (6-5, 275) and Nathaniel Rogers (6-4, 275), guards Andy Miller (6-4, 260) and Roger Turner (6-4, 240), tight end Don Milton (6-3, 215), and fullback Roger Bocox (6-1, 230).



CHRIS PARKER
Cal State Northridge

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SANTA CLARA

The Broncos are looking to repeat as WFC champions after an 8-2-1 season under first-year head coach Terry Malley, who has 11 starters back plus standout place-kicker Doug Davidovich. The offensive catalyst is junior quarterback Greg Calcagno (2,509 yards passing, 17 TDs). He'll be aided by tailback Matt Shaw (693 yards rushing) and senior receiver Kevin Collins, although star tight end Brent Jones is gone. The defense will build around linebackers Pat Sende (6-4, 230), Josh Whitney, Joe Lynam, and Rob Uhrich and nose guard Steve Kubes (6-4, 250).

SACRAMENTO STATE

The 1985 Hornets finished 8-3, tying the school record for wins, and Bob Mattos is optimistic despite the loss of linemen Mike Black and Greg Robinson. Senior tackle John Gesek (6-5, 275) will clear the way for tailback Donald Hair, who rushed for 1,097 yards as a freshman, and fullback Rob Harrison (590 yards). Tight end Bill Saunders caught 35 passes. The defense is led by senior linebacker Greg Dockweiler (6-1, 215), FWC defensive player of the year, and back Lorenzo Lynch (106 tackles).

CAL POLY SAN LUIS OBISPO

The Mustangs have some offensive firepower back from 4-7 team (2-3 in FWC) in quarterback Robert Perez (1,547 yards passing in

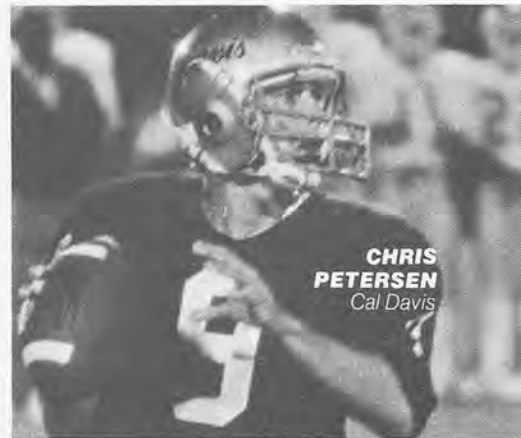
eight games), tailback Jim Glead (814 yards rushing), and wide receiver Lance Martin (23 catches for 424 yards). But they lost All-America tackle Sal Cesario and fullbacks Joey Kolina and Paulo Puelin (combined 909 rushing yards). The defense has questions, too, although linebackers Tom Gallo (6-1, 240) and Rich Bosselman (6-2, 220) return. Transfers Robert Stack and Bobby Brandon could help at nose guard and safety, respectively.

PORTLAND STATE

Crippled by key injuries, the Vikings slumped to a 4-5-1 season, and former USFL aide Poky Allen has replaced Don Read as head coach. He'll be missing top passer Terry Summerfield, top rusher Steve Lyle, and four members of an offensive line that averaged 280 pounds. Back are 285-pound tackle Roland Aumuller, wide receiver Brian Coushay (47 catches), and free safety Tracy Eaton—all first-team WFC picks—along with running backs Curt Green and Brian Gregoire, secondary starters Tracey Brown and David Etherly, and lineman Skee Bernhardt.

CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE

Bob Burt, the former defensive coordinator at Cal State Fullerton, has taken over for Tom Keele after a 4-7 season (1-4 in the WFC). He'll abandon the "run and shoot" offense for a balanced attack. His chief weapons are senior tailback Mike Kane, the school's all-time leading rusher, and three other all-conference seniors: wide receiver Kenny Garrett, defensive end Darrell McIntyre (6-0, 240), and linebacker Reggie Wauls (6-0, 210). The key re-



cruits are transfer tight ends Tony Palamara (6-3, 230) and Brian Bowers (6-3, 225).

CAL LUTHERAN

A wounded defense kept Bob Shoup and the Kingsmen from making much of a splash in their first WFC season (just 1-4 in conference play, 6-5 overall), but they finished well and are optimistic. Junior quarterback Tom Bonds, all-league tight end Darren Gottschalk (6-4, 240), wide receiver Joe Fuca, and running back Tracy Downs (386 yards) lead the offense. Linemen Mike Miller (6-4, 250) and Rueben Solorio (6-3, 240), linebackers Tom Sweeney and Earl Bentancourt, and backs Todd Leavens and Don Price should be the stars on defense.

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SOUTHERN UTAH

The Thunderbirds move over from the NAIA Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference under Jack Bishop, back as head coach after a three-year absence. He'll have to replace 1,000-yard rusher Bob Dyer from a 3-5-1 team but has tailback Kirk Wilson (27.8-yard average on kickoff returns) along with quarterback Jeff McComb (5-11, 180) to run the veer offense. Other top prospects are tight end Troy Moynier (6-3, 225), wide receiver Kurt Mathews, center Brent Bailey (6-5, 260), and two new defensive linemen: Ken Smith (6-5, 260) and Paul Schwenke (6-5, 270).

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UC DAVIS

The Aggies set an NCAA record last year by grabbing their 15th consecutive title. And 1986 looks to be another winning year for coach Jim Sochor. Chris Petersen (191 of 279 passes for 2,590 yards and 19 TDs with only 8 interceptions) had a higher efficiency rating than more celebrated quarterbacks such as Michigan's Jim Harbaugh, Alabama's Mike Shula, and Iowa's Chuck Long. One reason for his success is the Aggies' receiving corps: speedster Wayne Adkins (21 for 319 yards and 4 TDs), Chris Mandeville (37-558), and Rod Delgado. There is a sound running game with halfback Jerold Ligons and fullback Roger Wilkinson. Shola Adeyemo and Bill Tarr provide reserve strength.

The defense is led by junior free safety Larry

Wear. He teams with three all-NCAC performers: tackle Tim Lajcik and linebackers Jim Doughty and Adam Henderson. In all, eight starters return on the unit. Eddie Loretto had a school-record 85 points.

CAL STATE HAYWARD

The Pioneers have 40 lettermen returning, including 10 starters from last year's 6-3-1 squad. Coach Tom Tierney feels they have the potential to dethrone UC Davis for the NCAC title. Leading the charge is a tenacious defense that features three all-conference players: linebackers Junior Tai and Joe Terry and safety Walter Washington. Joining Washington (five interceptions and three TDs) in the secondary are Terry Chalow (six steals) and Michael Grayson.

Directing the offense is senior quarterback Bill Neal, who is joined in the backfield by Mike Matthews and Marcus Whitten. The primary receivers are tight end JoJo Williams and Kevin Conway. All-NCAC guard Charles Mueller anchors the line.

CHICO STATE

(4-4-1, 3-1-1) The Wildcats must find replacements for a defensive unit that returns just three starters from last year's NCAC runner-up. On a positive note, eight offensive regulars are back, including quarterback Craig Wallis, who threw for 2,110 yards and 15 TDs. The backfield remains intact with David Strickland and Ken Lawson. Tight end Chris Verhulst (36 catches for 625 yards) also returns. All-conference lineman Bob Hyland provides solid blocking.

The defense is largely untested. Lineman Anthony Freeman and two all-star linebackers, Jeff Cudworth and James Fryar, are the only returnees. Punter Tom Curtin earned all-NCAC honors (39.7).

HUMBOLDT STATE

The Lumberjacks suffered their second straight losing season (2-8, 1-4), which was enough to convince Bud Van Duren to retire after coaching the Green and Gold for 20 years. Replacing him is Mike Dolby, formerly the defensive coordinator of the USFL's Oakland Invaders. His best player is senior running back Pat Johnson, who last season led the team in rushing (794 yards) and receiving (44 catches). Matt Peterson returns at quarterback and Robert Prince and Shedred Bean at receiver. Dolby has sound linebackers in Rod Prnjak and Wade Delashmutt. The backfield returns Art Maytorena and Brian Barry.

SAN FRANCISCO STATE

Coach Vic Rowan begins his 32nd year at San Francisco State with a team that returns only three starters on offense and four on defense. Rowan has the difficult task of finding replacements for departed quarterback Richard Strasser (3,317 yards and 20 TDs), wide receiver Jaime Hill (695 yards, 6 TDs), and running back Keith Yeager (312 rushing, 210 receiving, 3 TDs). He'll rebuild the offense around junior wide receivers Tom Teitel and John Beals and tight end Orrin Childs. Sidney Fitts is solid at center. The defense features linebackers Lewis Singletary and Chris Saxen and tackle Matthew Bell.

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● In 1967, Oklahoma won the Big Eight Conference championship, upset No. 2 Tennessee in the Orange Bowl, and was ranked No. 2 in the post-bowl polls. The Sooners owed their success to a raging defense, featuring nose guard Granville Liggins, that allowed only 92 points in 11 games. In 1968, with essentially the same defense except Liggins and an improved offense, the Sooners gave up 140 points in four defeats and disappeared from the national rankings. Oklahoma's turnaround experience prompted Barry Switzer to endorse Bear Bryant's theory that it was impossible to have a great defense without a dominating lineman.

Oklahoma's 1986 opponents no doubt hope Bryant's theory is still valid. Switzer no longer subscribes to it. He will have an opportunity to prove it this year. The Sooners return all but four starters from their 1985 national championship team and have competent replacements for three. The one whose talent they cannot replace is the one who was the dominant force in a defense that Lou Holtz said was the finest he had ever seen in col-

lege football: nose guard Tony Casillas, the Lombardi Award recipient and the second selection in the NFL draft.

Casillas was so strong and quick that opponents routinely assigned two, and sometimes three, players to block him. This precluded teams from exploiting suspect spots, namely the tackles and cornerbacks. When Casillas was sidelined with a knee injury, Miami exposed those cracks and won handily. When Casillas returned, he made the entire defense look bulletproof. Now that Casillas has graduated to the Atlanta Falcons, will the Sooners miss him the way they missed Liggins 18

predictions

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1. Oklahoma, 2. Nebraska, 3. Colorado, 4. Oklahoma State, 5. Missouri, 6. Iowa State, 7. Kansas, 8. Kansas State

independents

1. Tulsa, 2. Wichita State, 3. Indiana State

gateway conference

1. Northern Iowa, 2. Eastern Illinois, 3. Illinois State, 4. Southern Illinois, 5. Western Illinois, 6. Southwest Missouri State

north central conference

1. North Dakota State, 2. South Dakota, 3. Nebraska-Omaha, 4. St. Cloud State, 5. South Dakota State, 6. Morningside, 7. Mankato State, 8. North Dakota, 9. Northern Colorado, 10. Augustana

years ago, lose their defensive superiority, and be dethroned?

Switzer's remarks will not encourage Nebraska and other challengers. He said a change, several years ago, in Oklahoma's style of defense made the loss of Casillas considerably less damaging than that of Liggins. The change, Switzer said, made "our standup people—linebackers and ends—more important than the down linemen in our scheme. A great lineman like Tony is a bonus, and it would be ridiculous of me to say we won't miss him. But if I had my choice, I would rather have dominating players at end and linebacker than in the line."

The Sooners are loaded with outstanding linebackers and ends. In fact, linebacker Brian Bosworth is surrounded by so many big, fast defenders at the standup positions that Switzer said, "I don't think we will fall off much on defense." If not, the Sooners should repeat as Big Eight champions and make a strong run for their seventh national championship.

Offensively, they should improve. Quarterback Jamelle Holieway, the freshman catalyst in the Sooners' drive to the 1985 title, all the running backs, all the receivers, all the linemen except one, and the kickers return. Traditionally, Oklahoma's wishbone has exploded the year after being rebuilt. The Sooners averaged 37 points in their last eight games with three freshmen and five sophomores in the starting offensive lineup. If the improvement pattern holds, the Sooners can probably afford a slight decline on defense and be out of reach. Even though Oklahoma does not have its usual all-star running back, the prospect of Holieway operating behind what might be the Sooners' best line ever has already prompted

some opponents to concede. Oklahoma State coach Pat Jones said, "I don't know if anybody can play with Oklahoma. This might be one of their greatest teams."

If, however, the Sooners miss Casillas more than they imagine, they will be hard pressed to hold off Nebraska. The Cornhuskers' offense is always extraordinary when Tom Osborne has a quarterback who can run and pass. Osborne thinks sophomore Steve Taylor has possibilities of "being one of the best we have ever had." Nebraska has a Heisman Trophy contender in tailback Doug DuBose and a defense that is proven everywhere except end and should be outstanding if linebacker Marc Munford recovers from knee surgery. And the Cornhuskers play their annual showdown with Oklahoma at Lincoln.

If there is a team among the other six that is capable of extending the two super powers, as Oklahoma State did the last three years, it figures to be Colorado. The Buffaloes, coming off their first bowl season since they shared the championship in 1976, expect to be improved in their second season with the wishbone. Bill McCartney, voted Big Eight coach of the year for the turnaround, has a defense that may rival Oklahoma's.

A bracket below and out of contention is Oklahoma State, which has gifted passers and receivers to complement conference rushing champion Thurman Thomas. But the Cowboys are so shallow in both lines and so suspect at linebacker that they might skid into the second division, behind Missouri or Iowa State or both.

Missouri, with the Big Eight's most experienced team and worst nightmare to forget, should improve in Woody Widenhofer's second season. The Tigers could leap from last to fifth or fourth place if sophomore quarterback Ronnie Cameron develops. Iowa State has experience and no stars, but coach Jim Criner thinks the Cyclones can challenge for the first division if quarterback Alex Espinoza plays more like he did as a sophomore and less like he did as a junior.

The Kansas schools have new coaches and familiar problems. Bob Valescente, promoted when Mike Gottfried went to Pittsburgh, inherits a Kansas team that won only two conference games and must replace its best players. Kansas State hired Stan Parrish from Marshall. Like Valescente, Parrish said he was committed to a passing offense. The Wildcats lived by the lash in their first spring under taskmaster Parrish.

K-State, though, may not have had the toughest preseason in the Big Eight. Oklahoma, which in the past treated spring practice as a lark when it had experienced teams, pitted its starting defensive and offensive units against each other in daily scrimmages.

"It was the most physical spring practice we ever had," said Switzer. "We never scrimmaged No. 1 vs. No. 1 this much." He said the change in policy was not influenced by his concern of complacency. He noted the 1986 national championship might be determined in September when the Sooners play ULCA and Miami and said, "We want to be as good

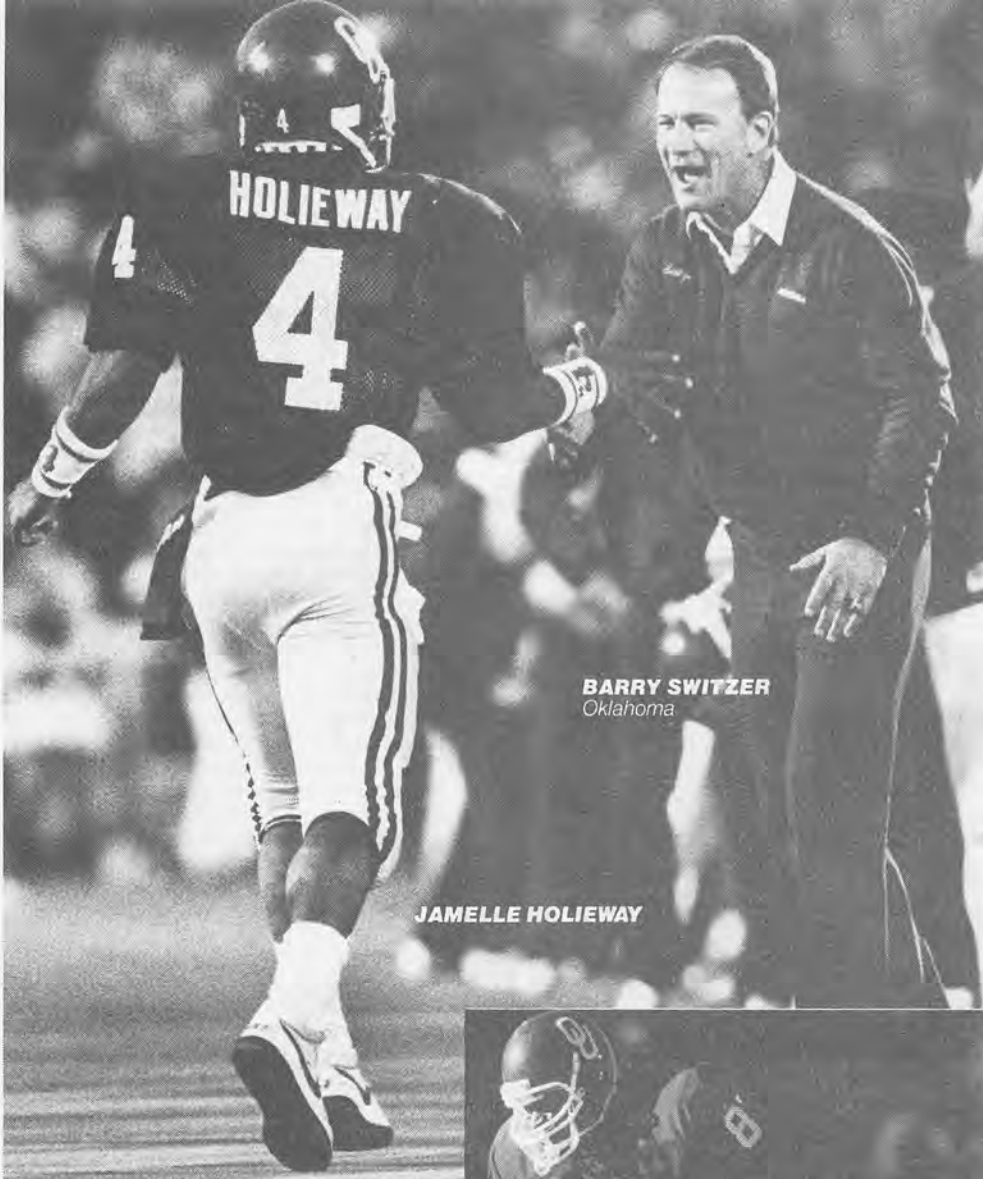


**BRIAN
BOSWORTH**

in September as we can possibly be." In what surely will be sobering to Oklahoma's challengers, Switzer added, "We are going to play some great teams early, but I don't believe we will play against any better competition next season than we faced this spring."

While the Big Eight has the same Oklahoma-Nebraska look at the top it has had for 38 of the last 40 years, a new era begins for members of the Missouri Valley Conference. Last year was the Valley's farewell to football. The conference is unchanged in other sports, but the football members will go their separate ways as independents. Tulsa, which won the last six Valley championships, and Wichita State will remain in Division I-A and play independent schedules. Indiana State will play as a Division I-AA independent. Illinois State and Southern Illinois will compete as Division I-AA members of the Gateway Conference. Drake will discontinue football for one year and resume in 1987 as Division III (no scholarships). West Texas withdrew from the Valley to compete in Division II in all sports. The NCAA allowed Drake's players to transfer without requiring the customary one-year of residence to become eligible. The desperation Missouri felt after a 1-10 record was underscored when the Tigers enrolled four transfers from a Drake team that finished last in the Valley—and three of them may start this year.

The Big Eight has seven qualified candidates for All-America. Atop the list is Bosworth, fresh from winning the first Butkus Award as the nation's premier linebacker and seeking to become the first defensive player to win the Heisman Trophy. Others who were first-team selections last year are free safety Mark Moore of Oklahoma State, the fiercest secondary tackler to play in the Big Eight in a decade and a two-time interception leader; tailback Thurman Thomas of Oklahoma State, fourth in NCAA rushing last year and 10th in



BARRY SWITZER
Oklahoma

JAMELLE HOLIEWAY

the Heisman voting; and Colorado punter Barry Helton, whose 46-yard average ranked second on the national charts. Second-team selections in 1985 and capable of being consensus picks in 1986 are tailback Doug DuBose of Nebraska, offensive tackle John Clay of Missouri, and tight end Keith Jackson of Oklahoma. Two others with All-America possibilities are Nebraska's nose guard Danny Noonan and linebacker Marc Munford.

big eight conference

OKLAHOMA

Unlike their best teams of the past that featured all-star running backs and superior defensive linemen, the Sooners (11-1, 7-0) do not have a halfback, fullback, defensive tackle, or nose guard who is likely to make all-Big Eight this year. Their seniors do not excite NFL scouts. But the Sooners will defend their national championship with two juniors who are the most accomplished performers to play their positions at Oklahoma, three vintage offensive linemen, a rare quarterback, and the deepest cast of running backs of the wishbone era.

Linebacker Brian Bosworth (242) and tight end Keith Jackson (249) are the junior ring-leaders of a junior/sophomore-laden lineup that returns 18 starters and its kickers from the



KEITH JACKSON

team that toppled Penn State in the Orange Bowl. As sophomores, Bosworth and Jackson were so proficient that some NFL officials speculated they would have been the first players drafted at their positions had they been seniors. Bosworth was selected Big Eight defensive player of the year over his celebrated teammate, Lombardi Award winner Tony Casillas, and received the first Butkus Award, as the nation's outstanding linebacker. Jackson was the big-play star, as a receiver and explosive runner on reverses, in

1986 all-big eight team

offense

Quarterback . . . Jamelle Holieway . . . SO . . . Oklahoma
Running back . . . Thurman Thomas . . . JR . . . Oklahoma State
Running back . . . Doug DuBose . . . SR . . . Nebraska
Running back . . . Lydell Carr . . . JR . . . Oklahoma
Wide receiver . . . Herbert Johnson . . . SR . . . Missouri
Tight end . . . Keith Jackson . . . JR . . . Oklahoma
Center . . . Eric Coyle . . . SR . . . Colorado
Guard . . . Mark Hutson . . . JR . . . Oklahoma
Guard . . . Anthony Phillips . . . SO . . . Oklahoma
Tackle . . . Tom Welter . . . SR . . . Nebraska
Tackle . . . John Clay . . . SR . . . Missouri
Kicker . . . Tom Whelihan . . . JR . . . Missouri

defense

End . . . Darrell Reed . . . JR . . . Oklahoma
End . . . Kevin Humphrey . . . SO . . . Kansas State
Tackle . . . Chris Spachman . . . SR . . . Nebraska
Tackle . . . Steve Bryan . . . SR . . . Oklahoma
Nose guard . . . Danny Noonan . . . SR . . . Nebraska
Linebacker . . . Brian Bosworth . . . JR . . . Oklahoma
Linebacker . . . Barry Remington . . . SR . . . Colorado
Back . . . Mark Moore . . . SR . . . Oklahoma State
Back . . . Ricky Dixon . . . JR . . . Oklahoma
Back . . . Mickey Pruitt . . . JR . . . Colorado
Back . . . Mike Hudson . . . SR . . . Oklahoma State
Punter . . . Barry Helton . . . JR . . . Colorado

an offense that bloomed around freshman quarterback Jamelle Holieway.

Bosworth will shoulder a heavier burden in 1986, when the Sooners' only question mark is a rebuilt defensive line. Oklahoma lost two-thirds of its all-star front in Casillas, a dominating nose guard, and end Kevin Murphy, named to some All-America teams. Also lost was tackle Jeff Tupper. Coach Barry Switzer thinks Troy Johnson (232), the fastest member of the defense, who started when Murphy was disabled in 1984, will be a capable replacement for Murphy. Richard Reed (258) is quicker than Tupper and played admirably when Tupper was injured in 1984. There is no one in Casillas's class at nose guard. Two sophomores, Curtice Williams (268) and Richard Davis (255), are the ranking candidates.

The Sooners are seasoned and deep at all other defensive positions. End Darrell Reed (219) made all-Big Eight the last two years. Tackle Steve Bryan (260) is unspectacular but

yard touchdown run in the fleeting minutes. He is remarkably tough. But No. 2 fullback Leon Perry (232) is bigger, faster, a better blocker, and more elusive in the open field. They will alternate. Among the halfbacks, Spencer Tillman (196) "would be our best back," Switzer said, if he regained his 1,000-yard form of 1983. But Tillman was shackled the last two years by hamstring injuries and is just another face in the crowd with Anthony Stafford (172), the fastest of the group, Patrick Collins (185), the most efficient of the halfbacks in 1985, Damon Stell (194), Don Maloney (187), called the best back in spring practice by Switzer, and Earl Johnson (192), coming off two kneecap operations since rushing for 945 yards as a fullback in 1983.

Guards Mark Hutson (280) and Anthony Phillips (274) made all-Big Eight last year and tackle Greg Johnson (315) is the most dominant blocker in the line. Center Travis Simpson (263) is an all-conference possibility if he holds off the challenge of Bob Latham (254). Tackle Jon Phillips (258) is the only new starter on offense. Derrick Shepard (186) starts for the third year at split end. As if having Jackson did not give the Sooners a sufficient advantage at tight end, they added Duncan Parham (250), a transfer from Florida who was an alternate as a freshman on the Gators' 1984 SEC champions. Parham is faster than Jackson and Switzer is fascinated by the possibilities of an alignment with two tight ends.

The dependable pair of kicker Tim Lashar, who set four school records last year and kicked four field goals to be named offensive MVP of the Orange Bowl, and punter Mike Winchester (39.9) are complementing weapons for an all-star offense and defense.

NEBRASKA

The Cornhuskers' determination to close the gap on Oklahoma was reflected by coach Tom Osborne's decision to incorporate wishbone plays into their long-time and prolific I-formation. The Cornhuskers led the nation in rushing, were second in total offense, and fifth in scoring—a routine year for them—in 1985 (9-3, 6-1). But they were plundered by Oklahoma's wishbone, one year after an admittedly less talented Oklahoma team knocked them out of an undisputed Big Eight conference title and perhaps the national championship with a goal-line stand that haunted the offensive-minded Osborne. Since the wishbone is considered a great goal-line offense and since Nebraska's defense needed more than the usual one week to prepare for Oklahoma's novel offense, Osborne gave the wishbone a long look in spring practice. He assured Nebraska would not change its basic formation. The principal benefit of the spring experiment is expected to be the recognition and understanding the Cornhusker defense gained by practicing against the wishbone every day.

Whatever formation the Cornhuskers use, they should have a representative team. That is, a top 10 team that challenges for the conference and national championships and plays in a bowl on January 1. With 13 starters returning, they should be better than last year. Tailback Doug DuBose, highly regarded sophomore quarterback Steve Taylor, improved speed, and a typically huge line inspire optimism on offense. And the defense might be outstanding if linebacker Marc Munford recovers from knee surgery. Plus, the Cornhuskers play Oklahoma at Lincoln.



DOUG DuBOSE
Nebraska



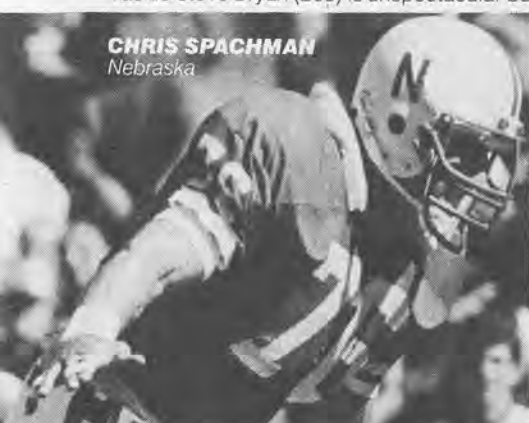
TOM WELTER



STEVE TAYLOR

Taylor (195) holds the key to Nebraska's hopes of overtaking Oklahoma. He was a more heralded recruit than Oklahoma's Jamelle Holieway when they were California schoolboys two years ago. As is Nebraska's custom with rookies, Taylor was ticketed for junior-varsity duty last year. When McCathorn Clayton (190) faltered at mid-season, Taylor was activated. He replaced Clayton in the Fiesta Bowl and sparked a rally that almost overcame Michigan. He became the undisputed starter with an impressive spring. A gifted runner and passer, Taylor "has the potential to be a great player," Osborne said.

Taylor will not, however, be Nebraska's most celebrated player. DuBose (190) is prepped for the Heisman Trophy after rushing for 1,161 yards last year. Osborne likes to alternate tailbacks and Keith Jones (190), DuBose's backup, has breakaway speed. Ken Kaelin (225) and speedy Tyreese Knox (215) are solid fullbacks. Von Sheppard (185) and Dana Brinson (170) provide big-play ability at



CHRIS SPACHMAN
Nebraska

solid. Linebacker Paul Migliazzo (222) is a two-year starter but will alternate with or play behind Dante Jones (225), who starred in the Orange Bowl and whom Switzer called "a great player, not much behind Bosworth." Oklahoma has unprecedented depth in the secondary. Free safety Ricky Dixon (182), though, is the only 1985 regular certain to start. Strong safety Sonny Brown (194), selected the most valuable defensive player in the Orange Bowl, and cornerbacks Derrick White (184) and Ledell Glenn (185) will be challenged by safeties Tony Rayburn (193), a starter much of the last two years, and David Vickers (197) and cornerbacks Kenneth McMichel (183), Scott Garl (210), Derrick Crudup (215), and Carlos Scott (185).

The Sooners are almost as deep and more experienced on offense. The presence of Holieway (182) and his dazzling backup, Eric Mitchel (195), caused Troy Aikman, a starter last year before suffering a broken leg, to announce that he would transfer. Holieway, who led Oklahoma in rushing (861 yards) and touchdowns (nine) after becoming the starter in the fifth game, has the best combination of running, passing, and defensive-reading skills of any triple-option quarterback to play at Oklahoma, Switzer says. He will have the luxury of operating behind what might be Oklahoma's best offensive line in history and handing off to a platooning corps of eight qualified running backs.

The competition to start at halfback and fullback is fierce. Fullback Lydell Carr (228) was second to Holieway in rushing with 735 yards and broke open the Orange Bowl with a 61-

wingback, and Brinson is a dangerous punt returner. The sure-handed Robb Schnitzler (175) returns at split end.

Tackle Tom Welter (280) leads the offensive line, where guard John McCormick (265) is the only other returning starter. But the three new regulars are seniors with two letters: tackle Rob Maggard (265), guard Stan Parker (270), and center Mark Cooper (250). Tom Banderas (240) is similar to Nebraska's recent tight ends: unspectacular but solid.

If the Cornhuskers have a problem on defense it is at end, where they will break in an all-new cast. Brad Tyrer (220), a senior, and highly regarded sophomore Broderick Thomas (235) will battle to start on the left side; Tony Holloway (205), the most experienced of the ends, will start on the right. Nose guard Danny Noonan (280) is the Big Eight's best at his position and tackle Chris Spachman (265) starts for the third year. Neil Smith (250) or Lee Jones (230), if he recovers from knee surgery, will start at the other tackle.

Munford (230), called "our best linebacker in 20 years," by Osborne, will decide during preseason practice if he plays or needs a red-shirt season to recover from knee surgery and complications. Even if Munford does not play, Nebraska will have capable linebacking. Kevin Parsons (240) ranks among the Big Eight's best and LeRoy Etienne (235) is a promising sophomore. In addition, Steve Forch (240) is a seasoned senior.

The secondary "could be one of our best in several years," Osborne said. Returning starters are strong safety Brian Washington (220), cornerback Brian Davis (195), and alternating free safeties Bryan Siebeler (195) and Chris Carr (200). Mike Carl (180), a part-time starter last year, will be the other cornerback.

All-Big Eight Dale Klein (195), who set an NCAA record by kicking seven field goals without a miss against Missouri after twice being demoted, returns for what Osborne hopes is a more consistent season. John Kroeker is an inexperienced but promising punter.

COLORADO

(7-5, 4-3) The Buffalos were the nation's most improved team last year when they compiled their first winning record since 1978 and charged into a tie for third place in the Big Eight. The turnaround saved Bill McCartney's job and earned him conference and district coach of the year honors. McCartney credited switching from a passing offense to the wishbone for the improvement. But the wishbone helped the Buffs more on defense than on offense. They were limited in their use of the triple option, but by avoiding turnovers and controlling the ball they allowed their defense to become a dominant force. Oklahoma thought Colorado's defense was the best the Sooners faced in the Big Eight.

"The main benefit we received from the wishbone was that by practicing against it every day, our defense improved immensely," McCartney said. With 16 starters returning, and Colorado's most highly regarded recruiting class since 1971 expected to ease a depth problem in the defensive line, McCartney thinks his junior-dominated team will be even better. With talent he called "good enough to be a top 10 defensive team," McCartney hopes the Buffs make the kind of improvement on offense that teams traditionally make in their second year with the wishbone. He spent spring practice trying to im-

prove every phase of the offense, especially a passing attack that ranked 105th in '85.

Quarterback Mark Hatcher (195) was eighth in Big Eight rushing (539 yards) and second in touchdowns scored (10) last year, but he completed only 31 percent of his passes and had only one touchdown toss. He will have the benefit of capable receivers in split ends Jo Jo Collins (170) and Drew Ferrando (190) and tight end Jon Embree (225). Halfback Mike Marquez (195), who carried only 36 times as a freshman in 1985, hinted in spring practice that he might be the answer to the Buffs' need for an outside threat. So might J.J. Flannigan (185), the most heralded of the freshmen. Fullback Anthony Weatherspoon (230), the team's leading rusher, with 569 yards, scored only two touchdowns last year; halfback Sam Smith (205) did not score. Three starters return in the offensive line: tackle Pat Ryan (270), guard Chris Symington

(270), and center Eric Coyle (270). Lettermen Bob Lawrence (255) and Tim Harper (275) are slated to fill the other slots to complete a line that McCartney considers capable.

Nine starters return on defense, led by linebackers Barry Remington (225) and Don Deluzio (220). They are among only five seniors who start. Other returning regulars are all-conference strong safety Mickey Pruitt (195), free safety Rodney Rogers (180), cornerback Solomon Wilcots (175), nose guard Kyle Rappold (245), tackle Curt Koch (260), and end Darin Schubeck (205). Terry Jones (225) or highly regarded junior-college transfer Fred Gaddis (245), scheduled to arrive in August, will start at the tackle vacancy and cornerback Tommy Streeter (200) filled the only other opening.

The Buffs return the nation's No. 2 punter in Barry Helton, who averaged 46 yards, and place-kicker Dave DeLine returns from a one-year suspension.

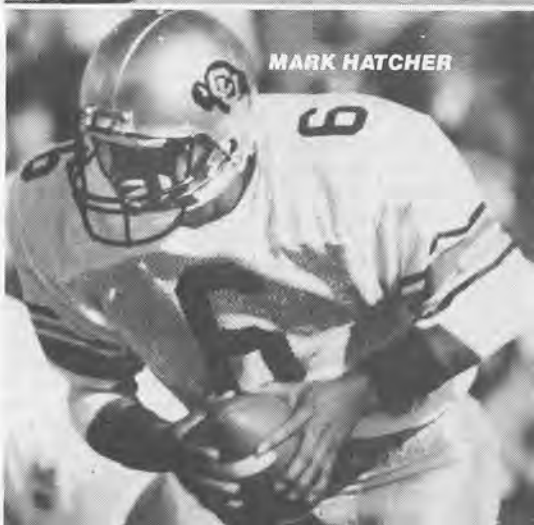
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OKLAHOMA STATE

(8-4, 4-3) The Cowboys have never had four skill-position talents together as gifted as tailback Thurman Thomas, quarterback Ronnie Williams, and wide receivers Bobby Riley and Hart Lee Dykes. No Big Eight team this year can match the potential of this quartet. If OSU had been blessed with such operatives when a succession of third-place teams were anchored by all-star linemen and linebackers, the Cowboys might have interrupted the monopoly Oklahoma and Nebraska had on the conference championship.

Now that they have showcase runners, passers, and receivers, the Cowboys are so short of linemen and linebackers they will be hard pressed to remain in the first division. But coach Pat Jones said, "We have the kind of guys who might make big plays when we don't block anybody."

Thomas (191) led the Big Eight last year in rushing (1,650 yards) and scoring (96 points), caught 25 passes, scored on a punt return, and passed for two touchdowns while being named conference offensive player of the year. He was forced to become a workhorse when Williams (215) suffered a broken jaw in the first game and Dykes (206) was handicapped by a series of injuries. A healthy Williams and Dykes will enable OSU to become diversified and less dependent on Thomas, who had arthroscopic knee surgery in June but should be fully recovered by the fall.

Williams is the key. He has an extraordinary arm but was erratic after returning from his injury to have a record-setting game against Nebraska. He finished with a 47 percent completion rate and more interceptions (13) than touchdown passes (8). With Dykes to throw to, Williams is expected to become consistent. Riley was third in conference receptions (36).

Another factor that encourages Jones about the offense is the emergence of Garrett Limbrick (225) as "the best fullback we have had." With Limbrick and backup tailbacks Mitch Nash (186) and Curtis Luper (194) blooming in spring practice, Jones plans to make the I-formation less predictable by incorporating split-back running formations and the option, and by making more use of the backs as receivers. There is also improved ability at tight end, where J.R. Dillard (242) is challenged by Brien Keith (235), a transfer from Drake.

Although guard Doug Meacham (250) is the only returning starter in the offensive line, tackles Mike Wolfe (255) and Byron Woodard (297), guard Chris Stanley (252), and center Tony Wilkins (248) are "comparable to what we had," Jones said.

Defensively, the Cowboys have a seasoned backfield, featuring free safety Mark Moore (194), who made some All-America teams last year when he led the Big Eight in interceptions (7) for the second straight year. Strong safety Mike Hudson (205) could make all-conference for the second time if a broken wrist, suffered in the Gator Bowl and resulting in surgery that caused him to miss spring practice, is healed. Cornerbacks Melvin Gilliam (172), the probable choice to play quarterback if Williams is injured, and Denise Williams (214) complete the big Eight's most experienced secondary.

For the first time in eight years Jones has been on OSU's staff, he said, "We don't have an all-conference lineman or linebacker or anyone who looks like he might reach that level. I don't see how we can keep from falling off in those areas." The problem is more severe at linebacker. End Ricky Shaw (220), the only returning starter in the line, tackles Leonard Jackson (240) and David Bailey (226), and nose guard Marcus Jones (245) have acceptable quickness. Linebackers Robert Nunn (230) and Bouncer Shiro (226) are the projected starters, but Jones said, "There isn't much difference in our seven up-front people and we might be better off to platoon them."

MISSOURI

The Tigers will attempt to climb out of last year's wreckage (1-10, 1-6) with a team that ties Oklahoma for the most returning starters (18). But they are inexperienced at the most desirable position: quarterback. If sore-armed sophomore Ronnie Cameron (191) reaches expectations, the Tigers should improve, perhaps significantly, in their second season under Woody Widenhofer.

If Cameron falters, the Tigers cannot be any worse. Their demise was shocking. It was made more embarrassing to Widenhofer, the coordinator of the Pittsburgh Steelers' celebrated defense, because the disaster was tied to a defensive collapse. The Tigers were seventh or eighth in every defensive category in the Big Eight and 97th nationally against scoring. They were also last in punting and punt returns. They set a school record by going 0-7 at home (where they averaged only 45,000 in a 62,000-seat stadium). Their only victory was 28-27 over Iowa State.

Widenhofer thinks he made a mistake by trying to fit collegiate personnel into his NFL schemes. Although the Tigers ranked fourth in conference offense, they suffered a league-high 19 interceptions, were guilty of numerous fumbles in critical situations, failed to utilize

the option skills of their senior quarterbacks, and a line that looked superb on paper leaked on pass protection.

The offense, while unchanged in formation, has been simplified and added the option as a weapon. Cameron, plagued by a sore arm last year and much of spring practice, passed and ran the option impressively in the last two spring scrimmages. If he is unfit, redshirt freshman Brent Cook (189) will get the call.

The remainder of the Tigers' offense should be capable. Halfback Darrell Wallace (162) quietly rushed for 1,120 yards last year, third-highest in the Big Eight. He might be challenged by freshman Tony Van Zant (190), one of the nation's most highly recruited schoolboys. All-conference wide receiver Herbert Johnson (183) set a school record with 49 receptions. The line returns four starters, including John Clay (270), the league's premier tackle for two years, and guard Phil Pettey (274), who Widenhofer thinks is not much below Clay's level. Tight end Joe Close (235), guard Jeff Rigman (268), center Dal Lockwood (261), and wide receiver Victor Moore (181) are scheduled to start for the second straight year. Tackle Ted Romney (271), one of three transfers from Drake scheduled to start or alternate, fills the only slot without a returning starter on offense. However, fullback Michael Scott (270) was moved to center to create a second opening. Jon Redd (205) and Ed Esson (236), journeymen seniors, and Tommy Stowers (200), redshirt freshman, are the leading candidates at fullback.

Defensively, the pressing need is improved speed. Widenhofer sought to reel in the slack by recruiting seven junior-college transfers for defense (and two for offense). But cornerback Jesse Holmes (170), one of the transfers from Drake, is the only newcomer scheduled to start on defense and that only because Cordell McKinney (184) will be sidelined by knee surgery. Nevertheless, Widenhofer thinks the defense will be improved and quicker. Erik McMillan (191) and Stan Long (175) are first-class safeties. Everyone else except tackle Dick Chapura (273) is unproven. Scheduled to start are tackle Scott Vollet (255), nose guard Darryl Darling (250), ends Bo Sherrill (234) and Steve Vandegrift (243), and linebackers Mike Vestweber (224) and Terry Walker (211). The two most promising junior-college transfers, nose guard Lee Johnson (249) and tackle Jeff Cross (241), should see a lot of action.

Tom Whelihan (188), who set school records for field goals (16) and field-goal percentage (61.5) last year, may also punt.

IOWA STATE

(5-6, 3-4) The Cyclones were seventh in scoring defense and seventh in total offense yet finished fifth and upset Oklahoma State. It has been Iowa State's pattern under Jim Criner to finish higher or lower than its talent suggests, and it is whispered that he needs a winning record—something the Cyclones have achieved only once since Earle Bruce left for Ohio State in 1979—to save his job. He will try with a team that returns 15 starters.

The key is quarterback Alex Espinoza (183), who ranked eighth in Big Eight passing last year when he had a completion rate of 48 percent and a league-high 13 interceptions and only eight touchdowns. With his starting status threatened, Espinoza responded with an impressive spring practice.

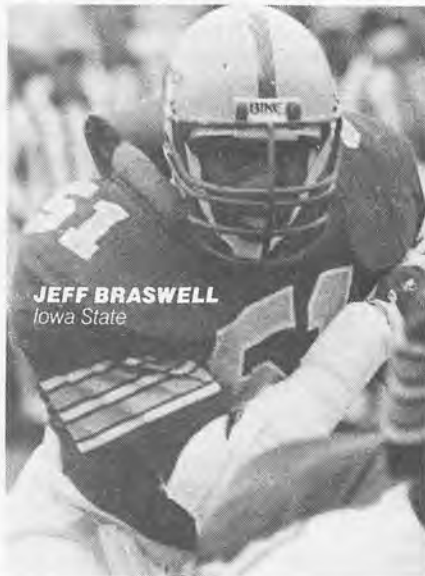


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Missouri

The improvement, though, will have to come from a group that has played a lot without producing any stars. Tailback Andrew Jackson (185), flanker Dennis Ross (205), and split ends Robbie Minor (192) and Hughes Suffren (188) have average ability. The line is big and has starters returning at every position: tackles Keith Sims (317) and Brett Lawrence (255), guards Eric Huhndorf (272) and Vince Jasper (260), and center Channon Mawdsley (259). Tight end Tom Stawniak

(235) and fullback Sylvester Nickerson (205) are the only new first-teamers on offense.

Criner thinks the defense will be improved, because of tackles Greg Liter (260) and Bill Berthusen (286), each of whom started last year, and a linebacking corps so deep that Jeff Braswell (224), once an all-conference contender, is not certain to start in the middle. Chris Moore (213), a senior, inched ahead of Braswell in spring practice. Dennis Gibson (225) and Randy Richards (213) return as the



JEFF BRASWELL
Iowa State

regulars at outside linebackers. Cornerback Terrence Anthony (183) and free safety Brian Reffner (182) are returning starters who will be joined by cornerback Milon Pitts (183) and strong safety Terry Sheffey (206).

Rick Frank punted (40.4) and kicked—he lead the Cyclones in scoring and ranked fourth on Big Eight kicking charts—but may yield the punting duties to Reffner, who was outstanding in junior college two years ago.

KANSAS

(6-6, 2-5) The pass-minded Jayhawks did not score a touchdown in 15 straight quarters against the Big Eight's first-division teams, graduated their passer and top three receivers, and lost coach Mike Gottfried to Pittsburgh. But it will be business as usual. Bob Valescente was promoted off the KU staff to succeed Gottfried and vowed to continue the passing philosophy.

The primary reason that Valescente does not think he will have to shift gears, or even pause to groom the replacements, is his faith in quarterback Mick Orth (195). Orth, a 6-5 junior who was redshirted in 1985, is bigger, stronger, and more advanced than predecessor Mike Norseth was at a comparable stage. Willie Vaughn (180), the only wideout with experience, led the Big Eight in touchdown receptions last year (with five on only 28 catches). Ray Murphy (180) and Rodney Harris (170), a transfer from Drake, and tight end Mark Parks (220) complement Vaughn.

For all the emphasis on passing, the most improved phase of the offense is expected to

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be the running attack. Tailback Mike Rogers, who gained 20 pounds (to 205), was the most pleasant development in spring practice, and Arnold Snell (200) is scheduled to arrive from junior college with outstanding speed. Tim Ledford (235), another JC transfer, will add punch at fullback and share time with Mark Henderson (210). The offensive line returns four starters: tackles Bob Peiper (270) and Jim Davis (260), guard Bryan Howard (260), and center Paul Oswald (260). Guard Steve Isham (250) is the only new starter.

Kansas's defense allowed an average of 5.3 yards per play last year, matching Missouri for an embarrassing low—and lost its ace, linebacker Willie Pless. But Valesente expects improvement, in part because of the 4-3 alignment the Jayhawks quietly embraced late last season. Seven starters return. Rick Bredesen (230), John Randolph (230), and Darnell Williams (228) should keep the linebacking on a qualified level, according to the coach. Ends Phil Forte (245) and Scott Carlson (230) and tackles Steve Nave (245) and Eldridge Avery (255) are expected to be more effective in the 4-3 than in the discarded wide-tackle six. The secondary returns three starters, but one of

candidate, defensive end Kevin Humphrey (240). Luckily for Parrish, Humphrey reconsidered and was allowed to rejoin the team.

Humphrey, named Big Eight defensive newcomer of the year in 1985, is one of the few assets in Parrish's inheritance. The Wildcats, whose only victory last year was over Missouri, have an experienced offense but were last in Big Eight scoring and rushing and had the highest interception ratio of any conference team. Their defense has an inexperienced line and secondary. In addition, the Wildcats have the Big Eight's smallest squad.

"I feel passing the ball is the quickest way we can make our program competitive," Parrish said. "I have full confidence in moving the football with our style."

Quarterback Randy Williams (205) a part-time starter last year, will pass to a faster corps of receivers, led by Mark Wentzel and Dan Hughes. K-State will often use a third wide receiver, Eric Blades, in place of a tight end. The Wildcats' most improved area in spring practice, however, was the running attack. Tailbacks Maurice Henry (190) and James Ricketts (192) encouraged Parrish. The Wildcats' strength is expected to be the offensive line, where tackles Rocky Dvorak (280) and Bob Bessert (275) return to join guards Matt Garver (265) and Dana Dimel (280) and center Rob Goode (230).

In addition to Humphrey, the defense returns four starters: end Jeff Hurd (245), nose guard Tim MacDonald (235), linebacker Dwayne Castille (225), and cornerback Brad Lambert. Projected to start in the Wildcats' switch from a 4-3 alignment to a 5-2 are end Grady Newton (225), tackles Roderick Stansell (250) and Troy Adams (225), free safety Robert Eastwood (180), and strong safety Brent Cottlon (205).

Mark Porter ranked sixth among Big Eight place-kickers last year and Troy Faunce (42.3) was second in conference punting.

independents

TULSA

After winning its sixth straight conference championship in the Missouri Valley's football farewell and its first under Don Morton, the Hurricane (6-5, 4-0) becomes an independent. The run-oriented veer offense is heavily dependent on running backs, and Tulsa has none that excites the coach. This is not, however, the handicap it might seem, because quarterback Steve Gage (210) is capable of thriving as a workhorse runner. Gage rushed for 892 yards last year and tied a Tulsa record by scoring 17 touchdowns. He will be called on to shoulder a heavier burden as a runner and to pass more (1,069 yards on 55 percent completions). Chris Vaughn (185), who carried the ball only 27 times last year, and Derrick Ellison (172) are projected to start, but Morton said, "We need for some freshmen running backs to come in and play in a hurry." Guard David Alexander (270), center Stan Fields (250), guard Steve Hedgdale (280), tight end Kevin Andrews (227), and split end Ronnie Kelley (190) are returning starters.

The defense, ravaged by injuries last year, should improve, even though the line is new. Linebackers Xavier Warren (237) and Tony Buford (217) return after missing last season with injuries. The secondary returns intact with cornerbacks Charles Wright (170) and Jesse Morrow (192) and safeties Richie Stephenson



(197) and Doug Desherow (195). End Donnie Dee (240), a converted tight end, and the gifted but injury-prone tackle Chris Pike (290) are the key figures in a rebuilt line.

WICHITA STATE

(4-6) The Shockers will count heavily on junior-college transfers to bolster a defense that allowed an average of 440 yards and 31 points in 1985. And they will be assaulted by Florida State, Arizona State, Iowa State, and Tulane in their debut as an independent.

Coach Ron Chismar thinks his offense will be improved if the wide receivers, scheduled to arrive in August, are as fast as advertised. Quarterback Brian McDonald, a senior who has been a starter since the ninth game of his freshman year and who passed for 1,497 yards in 1985, and tailback Valasco Smith (181), who gained most of his 757 yards after becoming a starter in the sixth game, assure stability at their positions.

Linebacker Kirk Allen (205) and tackles Mitchell Morris (252) and Mark Duncens (265) are counted on to anchor the juco-laden unit. Of 13 transfers, eight may start on defense. Linebacker Derrick Westfield (210) and cornerback Ron Gould (181) were the most impressive of the transfers in spring practice. But the newcomer who was the most pleasant surprise was Clint Normore (195), a basketball player for two years who quit that sport and won a starting job at free safety.

INDIANA STATE

(4-6, 3-2) The Sycamores return 11 starters but none of the best players from the team that finished fourth in the Missouri Valley Conference last year. Coach Dennis Raelz faces rebuilding on offense and a toughened schedule that includes Kansas and Iowa State.

The leading and inexperienced contenders to start at quarterback are Kevin Clancy, an unlettered junior; John Sahn, a redshirt freshman; and Kyle Frondorf (190), a sophomore transfer. Expected to emerge as a top receiver is Gary Cannon (188), who led the Valley in kickoff returns last year. Charles Walls (208), who led the Sycamores in rushing in '85 with the modest total of 328 yards, Tracy Stewart (178), and Jimmy Edwards (215) comprise an experienced cast of runners. Guard Mike Simmonds (275) was second-team all-Valley. Punter Chuck Standiford (198) led the league with a 40.2-yard average. The defense will be built around linebacker Tim Cunningham (232) and end Greg Corsaro (220).



them, strong safety Marvin Mattox (205), was dislodged in spring practice by Jamey Steinhäuser (195). Free safety Wayne Ziegler (190) and cornerback Milt Garner (180) held their jobs and cornerback Mike Fisher (175) filled the only vacancy. Mark Brown (200), a junior-college transfer, is expected to be a factor if he does not wind up at wide receiver.

Rob Dickerson was fourth in conference punting (41.1) last year. Chase Van Dyne is the ranking place-kicker.

KANSAS STATE

(1-10, 1-6) The Wildcats had a shakedown spring under new coach Stan Parrish, who was 55-11-2 in seven years at Wabash and then Marshall. His passion for passing and discipline stunned the Wildcats. Critics in the run-oriented Big Eight have suggested for years that passing coaches are not tough enough to win in their conference. Parrish quickly demonstrated to the Wildcats that he did not lack toughness. He introduced them to the most demanding spring practice at K-State in two-platoon times. More than a dozen players quit, including their leading all-star

gateway conference

NORTHERN IOWA

(11-2, 5-0) After losing their first game last year, the Panthers took off on an 11-game winning streak before losing to national champion Georgia Southern in the I-AA semifinals. Head coach Darrell Mudra is no stranger to winning. In his 24 years he's posted an incredible record of 183-74-3. No wonder he's known as "Dr. Victory." With 35 lettermen returning, 17 of which are starters, the only questionable areas are the offensive line and the secondary.

The Panthers field a versatile offense highlighted by an excellent running game. Returning are backs Carl Boyd (1,258 yards, 18 TDs), who averaged 96.8 yards per game, and Errol Peebles (996, 2 TDs). Directing the assault is quarterback Mike Smith (2,894 yards passing, 18 TDs). His main targets are split ends Scott Franke (810 yards, 5 TDs) and Sherrod Howard (549-5). The line lost four starters but center Mark Hanssen, tackles Ken Kolthoff and Steve Spoden, and guard Jeff Chambers have experience.

Losses were also felt in the secondary, but the Panthers have Theolonious Key, Greg Morrison, and Dave McCorvey returning and eager to fill starting roles. Rounding out a strong unit of returning starters are tackles Terry Orth and Mike Campbell, linebackers Bob Storbeck and Mark Farley, and ends Jeff Bealles and Art Stelken.

EASTERN ILLINOIS

(6-5, 2-3) The Panthers tied Western Illinois for third place in the Gateway Conference. Keying the Eastern air attack is quarterback Sean Payton, a two-time All-America who last year completed 256 of 494 passes for 3,146 yards and 22 touchdowns. In the past three years he has amassed 7,100 yards passing and 52 TDs. Last season Payton completed at least 50 passes to three different receivers; running back Duwayne Pitts, slotback Calvin Pierce, and wideout Roy Banks. Pitts led the Panthers in rushing (968 yards, 5 TDs) and receiving (65-458 yards-1 TD) and Pierce was second in receptions (60) and first in reception yardage (900). Roy Banks caught 59 passes for 817 yards and nine touchdowns.

Defensively, the Blue and Gray have six senior starters back. All-conference strong safety Bob Bronaugh was third on the team in tackles. Linebacker Bill Cochrane is back for his junior year after contributing 77 tackles, and nose guard Carl Parker, another junior, chipped in with 58 tackles.

ILLINOIS STATE

(6-3-2) The Redbirds return nine starters from a defensive unit that led the Missouri Valley and will rebuild their offense around transfers from Drake. Coach Bob Otolski thinks his team can contend for the championship in the Gateway Conference.

The key returnees on defense are linebacker Brian Gant (223), co-defender of the year in the Valley, safety Jeff Smith, and tackle John Kropke (258). Linebacker Brett Brindley (220),

one of the aforementioned transfers, is expected to enhance the unit.

Two other transfers from Drake, quarterback Ed Cheatham and fullback Marty Casper, and running back Henry Waters will start in a backfield that operates behind an inexperienced line. If kicking is a difference, the Redbirds will be happy. Paul Politi was a Division I-AA All-America last year and is the school's all-time scoring leader.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

(4-7) The Salukis return 17 starters and expect to have another strong offensive team, featuring tailback Byron Mitchell, who rushed for 1,211 yards and averaged 7.1 per carry last year. Also returning is fullback Bruce Phibbs, who gained 679 yards, and quarterback Kevin Brown, who passed for 1,043 yards. Tight end Bobby Sloan scored five touchdowns on only 28 receptions.

But coach Ray Dorr needs substantial defensive reinforcements if the Salukis are to improve on their record. They allowed 31 or more points in five defeats. Nose guard Vernon Gurley (234), end Jim White (238), and linebacker Rick Spielman are counted on in a unit that was weakest against passing. Dorr also hopes to reduce penalties, after the Salukis were flagged for 625 yards (to 351 for their opponents).

WESTERN ILLINOIS

(5-5, 2-3) The fighting Leathernecks have put together two consecutive winning seasons under coach Bruce Craddock, who once again will field a strong defensive unit but a

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questionable offense. Western Illinois was ranked ninth nationally in Division I-AA pass defense and twelfth in overall defense. Returning are three all-conference standouts: tackle Todd Auer, linebacker Mike Hryn, and back Marcus Ballard.

The offense is highlighted by Paul Singer (115 of 208 for 1,601 yards, 9 TDs), last year's top I-AA freshman quarterback. He'll be supported by a group of untested players. The line returns only one starter, center Frank Winters (265), who is a potential All-America.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE

(6-4-1, 2-2-1) The Bears posted a 6-4-1 record in 1985 with a senior-laden team. New head coach Jesse Branch (formerly the receivers' coach at Arkansas) inherits a squad that returns only two starters on offense and six on defense. Branch has opted to install a new offense with the flexbone attack. He's plucked two players from his secondary to compete at quarterback, sophomore Scott Hartwig and redshirt freshman Doug Gilliam. Pegged for the backfield are freshmen Tony Gilbert, a breakaway threat with good hands, and Cedric Carswell, whose biggest asset is blocking. Split end Tony Lopez is the only receiver with experience. The lone returning starters on offense are All-America center Dave Klein (245) and Chris Tayrien.

Defensively, the Bears are stronger. Linebackers Petey Stevens (250) and All-America Preston Estes (203) are the standouts. Linebackers Matt Soraghan and Ken Braden return after productive seasons. The secondary is anchored by Wayne Evans and Jerry Burkins.

north central conference

NORTH DAKOTA STATE

(11-2-1) The Bison return 17 starters for the 1986 campaign. Coach Earl Solomonson's biggest job will be to keep his defending national champions from resting on their laurels. A five-year record of 57-7-1 indicates that State is seldom bothered by complacency. Quarterback Jeff Bentrin, the leading scorer in NDSU history, rambled for 1,010 yards and 22 TDs in '85. Returning backs Chad Stark and James Molstre gained 1,107 and 785 yards, respectively. The line includes center Mike Favor, guard Rick Reimer, tackle Tom Smith, and tight end Kerry Meske.

The defensive front features Paul Nielson, Dana Meuhlhauser, Flint Fleming, and Ken Muckenhirn. The linebacking crew is led by All-America Jim Dick, Todd DeBates, Ken Kubisz, Tyrone Braxton, and Chris Servais comprise the experienced secondary.

SOUTH DAKOTA

(10-3, 7-2) The Coyotes' 10-3 record in 1985 included a regular-season win over North Dakota State. Coach Dave Triplett was named midwest region college division coach of the year. Nine seniors have graduated, however, including All-America running back Chul Schwanke and offensive tackle Eric Maxson. Despite the losses, the cupboard is hardly bare. Quarterback Scott Jones collected 1,856 yards in total offense, including 779 yards rushing. Tailback Tony Higgins galloped for 866 yards and 9 touchdowns. They will again operate behind a veteran offensive line headed by guard Tim McFarland and center Jerry Gilinsky.

The defensive front will feature tackles Ryan Harman and Thadd Heichel. Doug Vander-Esch, Brett Burditt, and Steve Glienke will handle the linebacking chores. Todd Salat leads the secondary.

NEBRASKA-OMAHA

(6-5, 4-5) The Mavericks lost three conference games last season by a total of seven points, including a one-point loss to North Dakota State and a three-point setback to South Dakota. With a more experienced offensive line and defense, Sandy Buda's club should be stronger this time around. Quarterback Rick Majerus will again direct the multiple-set offense. The leading returning running back will be Steve Macalitis (461 yards). Kicker Greg Morris hit 10 of 18 field-goal attempts and made 21 of 22 PATs.

The defense will be led by outside linebacker Keith Coleman, who made 91 tackles in '85, and inside linebacker Darin Litner.

ST. CLOUD STATE

(6-5, 5-4) The Huskies have been a little stronger each year under Noel Martin's leadership. The improvement should continue if certain players come through. Junior Jeff Williams, who saw limited action in '85, will replace the graduated Mike Leiverman at quarterback. One of his key targets will be sophomore tight end Brent Otto, who caught 50 passes for 609 yards and 7 TDs. The leading returning rusher is another sophomore, Scott Howell (744 yards). The offensive line will rotate around all-conference tackle Rick Moss.

Only Joe Pohlkamp returns to the defensive secondary. He led the team with 74 tackles and 6 interceptions. Linebacker Tom Mazur made 61 tackles. Nose guard Scott Gilray was impressive during spring practice.

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE

(7-4, 7-2) South Dakota State was the most improved team in the NCC in 1985, finishing tied with South Dakota for second place. A veteran offense was largely responsible for the Jackrabbits' success. Unfortunately most of that group is gone. Quarterback Mike Busch, who holds every school passing record, will be replaced by sophomore Ted Wahl. He has very little game experience. The only returning starter in the line is center Jeff Mounts. Tailback and wide receiver are bright spots. Dan Sonnek led the nation in Division II rushing (1,518 yards, averaging 138 yards per game). All-America Jeff Tiefenthaler had 54 receptions for 1,056 yards and 13 TDs.

Wayne Haensel's defense is in much better shape with lettermen returning at every position. Nose guard Brian Sisley and linebacker Darrin Thurston are the top players on the unit.

MORNINGSIDE

(7-3-1, 5-3-1) Morningside had its best season since 1912 a year ago. The Chiefs have also been hit hard by graduation, however. The offense loses all but three starters, including quarterback Jim Gibson, who threw for 6,235 career yards, and speedy flanker Nate Cole, who scored 25 career TDs. Coach Erv Mondt will have to rebuild around leading rusher Darren Belk (845 yards) and fullback Jason Dannenberg (408).

The defense is sound with nine starters returning. The line will be anchored by nose guard Matt Jurgens. Brice Farmer and Tom Hemmen are standouts at linebacker, Darrell Thomas and Todd Smith the leading performers in the secondary.

MANKATO STATE

(5-6, 4-5) The Mavericks lose only two offensive starters: all-conference guard Jeff Reinke and Larry Brown, the school's second-leading career rusher. Since much of the offense was based upon Brown's ability to break loose, his loss could be offset by a more diversified attack. Quarterback Mike McDevitt will again direct the run-pass option, having gained 771 yards in 1985. He will throw to flanker Greg von der Lippe, who caught 27 passes for 324 yards, and tight end Joe Theobald. Returnees in the line include Mark Hanson, Duane Goldhammer, and Scott Ackerson.

Dan Runkle must fill several spots on defense. Ted Elliot and John Grawley had 91 tackles last year.

NORTH DAKOTA

(3-8, 2-7) A disappointing 3-8 season led to the resignation of Pat Behrns. The Sioux will rebuild under the direction of Roger Thomas, who had been the offensive backfield coach of the Toronto Argonauts. Thomas will move North Dakota away from the run-oriented offense of the past to a wide-open passing attack. Three candidates are fighting for the quarterback job. Kurt Otto played a lot last year, Tony Dorso was the starter in 1984 but could not play last season because of a shoulder injury, and JC transfer Karren Kelderman is also in the hunt. The leading returning rusher is Willis Jacox (645 yards).

A young defense will be led by tackle Kurt Lamp, nose guard Harvey McMahon, and linebackers Dan Juckel and Nathan Stokke. The secondary includes corner Ken VanOverbeke and safety Matt Gulseth.

NORTHERN COLORADO

(2-9, 2-7) Second-year coach Ron Simonson is rebuilding the Bears from the ground up. The 1985 roster contained 68 underclassmen. Although improving, Northern is still a year away from being a contender. The passing game is good with quarterback Loren Snyder returning for his senior year. He threw for 2,384 yards and 17 TDs last season. Tight end Bill Krueger is the leading returning receiver (38 for 330 yards). Fullback Gene Moisey will be relied upon to help the running game. The line will rotate around guard Tom Burgesser and tackle Pat McCauley.

All-conference nose guard Mel Garner will lead the defensive line. Linebacker Joel Collier was the leading tackler and Tom Bauer will man the monster position in the secondary.

AUGUSTANA

(1-9, 1-8) After a great deal of consideration and speculation, Augustana officials have decided to increase the school's commitment to the football program. Nothing could have made coach Jim Heintz happier. He believes he now has the backing to make the Vikings competitive. Record-holding quarterback John Schultz is gone and his replacement is up in the air. Sophomores Jon Fering and Kevin Potas are fighting for the job, though neither has much experience. Victor Breakfield is the leading returning rusher and tight end Troy Schaefer is the leading receiver. Center Scott Bruning and guard Dan Schmitt provide a nucleus in the line.

The bright spot is defense, where eight starters return. Mike Carlson leads a veteran line, John Colby returns at linebacker, and Craig Paulsen, Joe Sumner, and Dereck Schrader are back in the secondary.

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● Football season can't arrive too soon for the coaches, athletic directors, and big cigars of the Southeastern Conference. If they kicked it off tomorrow it would be a day too late. This thirst has little to do with a craving for football. It has a lot more to do with the unwanted attention several conference schools are receiving.

At Georgia, it's the Kemp trial. At Louisiana State, the athletic director is accused of bugging his office. At Tennessee, a star football player is arrested for his connection with drugs. NCAA investigators are visiting several other schools amid reports of recruiting violations. These are not the types of newspaper stories sports information directors cut out and paste into scrapbooks. Jan Kemp, for example, has gotten as much national attention as Herschel Walker got at Georgia.

No wonder all those SEC folks are pacing the floor and waiting for attention to turn to football. Once they get to the stadium, things go pretty well for the league. In 1985 attendance was up (six teams were in the top 20 in national attendance) and five schools went to bowls. Average attendance at SEC stadiums was 63,764—better than any other conference in the nation except the Big Ten. On the field, SEC schools went 40-10-5 against non-league opposition. In the bowls the SEC was 2-2-1. One of those two victories was recorded by its champion in the Sugar Bowl: Tennessee's 35-7 stunner over heavily favored Miami. There was even a Heisman when Bo Jackson became the sixth SEC player to win the trophy. But there was no No. 1. Auburn was a preseason top pick on many lists, but flopped. Tennessee's No. 4 on both polls was as high as any SEC school could get.

So much for the history lesson. In 1986 in the SEC are two new coaches and a strong candidate for No. 1. A couple of old quarterbacks have returned and they face a tougher job on the sidelines than they ever did on the field. Watson Brown and Rocky Felker have been called home to try to find a few more victories. Brown, a star at Vanderbilt about 20 years ago, will attempt to make the Commodores the winners there in 1982 when he was offensive coordinator of the Hall of Fame Bowl team. Felker, who was the SEC's total-offense leader at Mississippi State in 1974, becomes the youngest coach in Division I-A. Felker replaces Emory Ballard, who told us last year that Mississippi State would win the SEC title. The Bullies finished 5-6—their fourth consecutive losing season.

And you wonder why coaches moan and cry all the time? Pat Dye never did agree that he had a No. 1 team. He was right, of course.

Now it's Ray Perkins's turn. Alabama has a tough schedule but a lot of talent. They may not win a national title, but they should win the SEC. "Going in, Alabama will be as good a football team as there is in the country," said Tennessee coach Johnny Majors.

"I am encouraged about having a better than good defensive football team," said Perkins. "We might have a chance to be a great defensive football team. Our schedule looks

like it might be the most challenging we've ever had at Alabama. We should like that kind of a challenge. I like it, and I hope our players do. If they don't, we're in a lot of trouble."

As for the independents, Miami looks to be the strongest team in the region. In fact, the Hurricanes could be the No. 1 team in the country. They came very close last year. Having beaten eventual national champion Oklahoma at Norman, Miami went into the Sugar Bowl as a top contender for the title only to be humbled by Tennessee. Heisman Trophy hopeful Vinny Testaverde, the nation's best quarterback, heads a cast of 20 returning starters. There is a rematch with Oklahoma, and the Sooners will defend their No. 1 honor with a formidable cast of their own. But this year the game will be played on the Hurricanes' home field.

Florida State will be in the running for national honors, too. The Seminoles have not been defeated in four bowl games in as many years, and this time they'd like the chance to keep that streak alive with an engagement on New Year's Day. They've got a date with Miami in the Orange Bowl in November and close out the season with state rival Florida at home. But their schedule also puts them on the road against Nebraska and Michigan, and those tests will be stiff.

Southern Mississippi is looking to improve on its 7-4 mark of a year ago. But their itinerary will take them to Alabama, Texas A&M, and Florida State, and the Golden Eagles came up short a year ago every time they faced a "name team."

There was one national champion in the deep south last year. Georgia Southern compiled a 13-2 record, including a 44-42 victory over Furman in the I-AA playoff finale.

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ALABAMA

One pro scout has said Alabama could have as many as 10 players go high in the NFL draft. Coaches who must play Alabama this year probably will think that's a conservative guess. The Tide is loaded. Even coach Ray Perkins, who drops those crocodile tears with the best of them, can't think of much to complain about.

He certainly can't whine about defense, where he has the finest brace of linebackers in the conference. Leading that pack is outside linebacker Cornelius Bennett (6-4, 235), who twice has been an All-America pick. Despite missing three games with a knee injury, Bennett had 51 tackles, 4 sacks, broke up five passes, and recovered a fumble. A tireless worker about whom Perkins says, "He still practices every day like he's trying to make the team." Wayne Davis (6-4, 210), an inside linebacker, may be just as good. Davis, who has been called the most underrated player in the SEC, led the team in tackles (125), including 24 against Texas A&M. The other two linebackers are senior Joe Godwin (6-2, 217) and junior Randy Rockwell (6-3, 189). In all, there

are nine starters returning on defense, including all-SEC choices Freddie Robinson, a cornerback, and Curt Jarvis (6-2, 266), a nose guard. Robinson, a senior, had three interceptions while Jarvis, also a senior, may be used a little this year at tackle, the one soft spot on the defense. Perkins hopes sophomores Anthony Smith (6-4, 245) and Willie Ryles (6-4, 265) can replace Jon Hand and Brent Sowell.

Senior Mike Shula and seven other starters return to the offense. Shula (6-2, 198) was all-SEC quarterback. He's not the best passer or the best runner in the league, but perhaps the best leader. Only one starter is missing from the line where senior Wes Neighbors (6-2, 250) is an All-America choice at center and sophomore Bill Condon (6-2, 242) could become one at guard. Sophomore tackle Larry Rose (6-4, 270) started every game as a freshman. Shula will have plenty of people to throw to. Flanker Al Bell was all-SEC in '85 while split end Greg Richardson averaged 25 yards a catch. The best of the runners may be Gene Jelks, who had 192 yards against Auburn. Van Tiffin, the school's all-time leading scorer (234), is back at place-kicker, where he has 96 consecutive PATs. Punter Chris Mohr, who averaged 45.1, also returns.

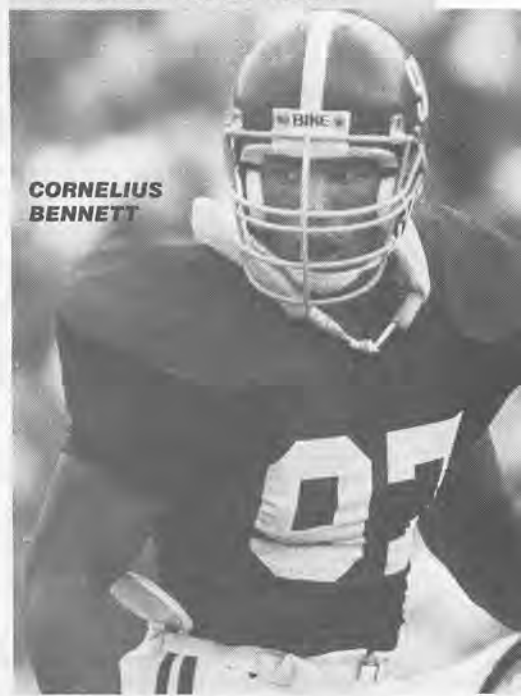
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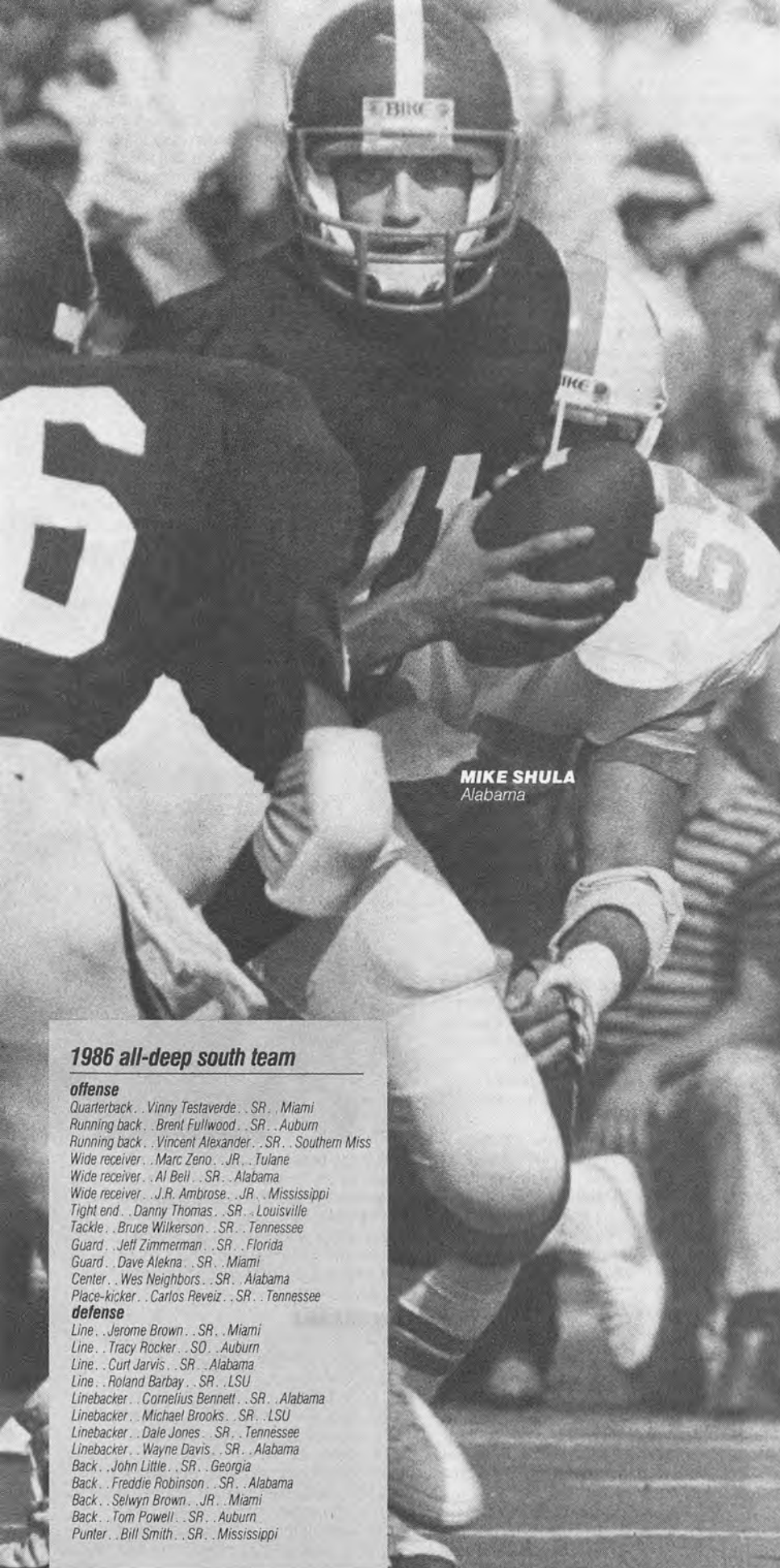
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MIKE SHULA
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Guard . . . Jeff Zimmerman . . . SR . . . Florida
Guard . . . Dave Alekna . . . SR . . . Miami
Center . . . Wes Neighbors . . . SR . . . Alabama
Place-kicker . . . Carlos Reveiz . . . SR . . . Tennessee

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Line . . . Tracy Rucker . . . SO . . . Auburn
Line . . . Curt Jarvis . . . SR . . . Alabama
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Back . . . Tom Powell . . . SR . . . Auburn
Punter . . . Bill Smith . . . SR . . . Mississippi

As if all this weren't enough, Alabama had one of the most successful recruiting efforts in the nation. Three of the better freshmen are quarterback Billy Ray of Atlanta, nose guard Willie Wyatt (6-2, 248) of Gardendale, Ala., and lineman Thomas Rayan (6-7, 265) of Orlando, Fla. Obviously, Perkins, whose team was 9-2-1 in 1985, appears to have only a few concerns. The biggest is a killer schedule which even includes an extra game (the Kick-off Classic). The Tide faces Ohio State, Notre Dame, Penn State, and three key conference games: Auburn, LSU, and Tennessee. With all that talent, though, 'Bama should return to the Sugar Bowl for the first time since 1979.

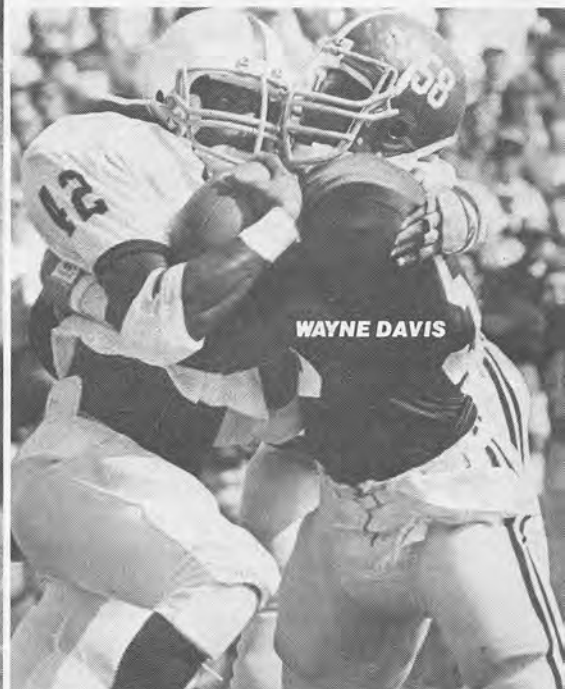
LOUISIANA STATE

Coaches say you win with defense. If that's true, then LSU should do a lot of winning this season. Ten starters return from the unit that led the conference in scoring defense (a mere 10.3 points per game), was second in rushing defense, and third in total defense.

Individually, three returnees made the 1985 coaches' all-SEC: Roland Barbay, Michael Brooks, and Norman Jefferson. Brooks, a senior outside linebacker who made some 1985 All-America teams, is a 6-1, 228-pounder who coach Bill Arnsparger says is "the most complete linebacker in America." He had 75 tackles and eight sacks. Barbay (6-3, 257) is a senior defensive end who had 45 tackles and five sacks. Jefferson, a senior cornerback who had 39 tackles, six passes broken up, and three interceptions, had a record 79-yard punt return in the Liberty Bowl.

There are some other talented folks. Such as senior Toby Caston (6-1, 228), a linebacker who had 16 tackles against Florida; senior Henry Thomas (6-2, 255), a nose guard who blocked two Notre Dame field-goal attempts; sophomore Ron Sancho, an outside linebacker who had 72 tackles; and senior Karl Wilson (6-4, 250), a defensive end who received some All-America votes.

The questions come on offense, where five starters are gone, including the quarterback, both running backs, and the top receiver.



WAYNE DAVIS

However, most of the line is intact, where the center, both guards, and a tackle return. One of those guards, Eric Andolsek (6-2, 250), is so good that they let him play both ways in the '85 Sugar Bowl. Other returnees are senior guard Keith Melancon (6-3, 240), junior center Nacho Albergamo (6-2, 250), and senior tackle John Hazard (6-5, 255). Matt De Frank (38.0 average) again is the punter.

The best of the runners are Sam Martin, Victor Jones, and Garland JeanBastiste, but all are relatively untested. The Bayou Bengals signed one running back during the winter who may be good enough to help immediately: Harvey Williams (6-2, 205) from Hemstead, Texas. Place-kicker Ron Lewis, whose first collegiate field-goal attempt was good for 54 yards against North Carolina but who then went 3-for-15 the rest of the season, returns. Rogie MaGee, a flanker who had 35 receptions, can catch. But who can throw? Arn-



MICHAEL BROOKS
Louisiana State



TOBY CASTON

sparger will pick between Tom Hodson and Mickey Guidry. If one of them can play quarterback, LSU could do even better than last season's 9-2-1. If not, LSU may be involved in a record number of scoreless ties.

GEORGIA

They're going to try something different down at Athens. It's called a pass. You know—one player throws the ball to another. Other teams have been doing it for years.

"We're serious about the passing game," proclaims coach Vince Dooley, who says his Dawgs will move away from the I-formation

and toward split backs. Opposing coaches will wait and see. Not only does Dooley love to run, he certainly has the team for it this year. The entire offensive line returns. The best of the bunch are tackles Wilbur Strozier (6-2, 251) and Victor Perry (6-5, 272) and guard Kim Stephens (6-2, 245), all seniors. The biggest is senior center Keith Johnson (6-5, 300). Also returning are the team's top six backs, led by tailbacks Lars Tate and Tim Worley and fullback Keith Henderson (6-2, 203).

The question is: can James Jackson pass consistently? Jackson, who started 10 games at quarterback, threw only 112 times for a 45.5 completion percentage and six interceptions.



NORMAN JEFFERSON

Just whom he would throw to is a mystery, since it's never been done on a large scale before. Georgia was dead last in passing offense in 1985, averaging a mere 6.0 passes and 91.4 yards a game.

Six starters return to a defense that was first in the SEC against the rush. All-America John Little (6-3, 195) is back at rover, Calvin Ruff (6-3, 225) at end, Henry Harris (6-3, 269) at guard, and John Brantley (100 tackles) at linebacker. Little was the second-leading tackler on the team (109). Against Clemson he had 14 tackles and two interceptions. Harris, who had 89 tackles and led the team in stops behind the line (11), had 17 tackles against Georgia Tech. Brantley had 100 tackles, including 15 against Alabama and 11 against Florida. The toes are in good shape, too, as punter Chris Carpenter (41.1 average) and place-kicker Steve Crumley return.

The Dawgs have three signees who may be heard from quickly: receiver Hiawatha Berry (6-1, 245) of Winder, Ga.; linebacker Brent Collins (6-2, 225) of Dandridge, Tenn., and defensive lineman Tyrone McClendon (6-5, 250) of Taft (Calif.) Junior College.

Dooley may have some problems with depth on defense, but the schedule is not overly tough and there's plenty of talent. The Dawgs should pass their 7-3-2 record of 1985 ... even if they don't throw.

AUBURN

Things may not be so bad without Bo. In fact, they may be plenty good. Sure, Bo Jackson is gone. But Brent Fullwood (684 yards rushing) returns along with fullback Tommie Agee, an outstanding blocker, and Collis Campbell, who was redshirted last season. That's a pretty fair backfield.

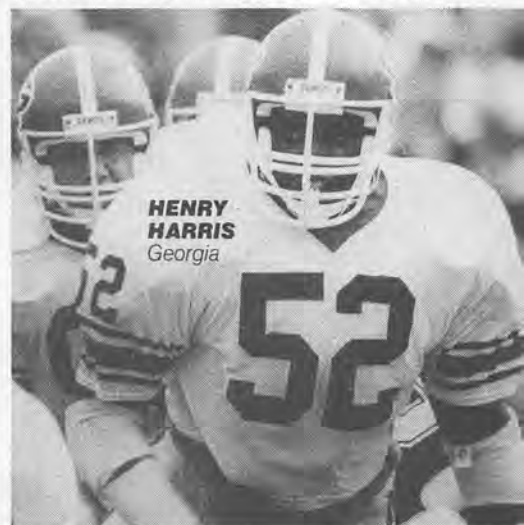
Coach Pat Dye says of Agee: "I've never seen a better blocking fullback." Which is good news to Fullwood, who was second-team all-SEC last season despite being "Bo's

backup." Jeff Burger replaces Pat Washington at quarterback, but that makes little difference because Auburn doesn't pass anyway. The offensive line lacks depth, but the starters are solid with center Ben Tamburello (6-3, 269), tackle Stacy Searels (6-5, 267), and guards Steve Wilson (6-3, 280) and Yann Cowart (6-1, 234).

Seven starters return to a unit that was second in the SEC in total defense. This is the team that had the hottest new face in the nation, tackle Tracy Rocker, a 6-3, 259-pounder. As a freshman Rocker was Auburn's leading tackler and led the SEC's down linemen in tackles. "We have a long list of outstanding defensive linemen who have been through our program, but coming down the stretch last season against Georgia, Alabama, and Texas A&M, I've never seen one better than Tracy Rocker," says Dye. All-SEC free safety Tom Powell (six interceptions) also returns. Returning starters joining Powell and Rocker are end Gary Kelley (6-2, 215), linebackers Russ Carreker (6-2, 228) and Edward Phillips (6-2, 228), and strong safety Arthur Johnson.

Freshmen to watch include running back James Joseph (6-2, 190) of Phenix City, Ala.; defensive end Brad Johnson (6-3, 270) of Centre, Ky., and defensive back Sean Smith (6-1, 200) of Opelika, Ala.

Dye does have some worries. Punting is questionable, depth may be a problem, espe-



HENRY HARRIS
Georgia

cially in the defensive secondary, and there is inexperience in the defensive line. But Dye has perhaps the softest schedule in the conference (Western Carolina, Cincinnati, UT-Chattanooga, and East Carolina) and has two key games (Tennessee and Georgia) at home. He should improve on the Tigers' 1985 8-4 record.

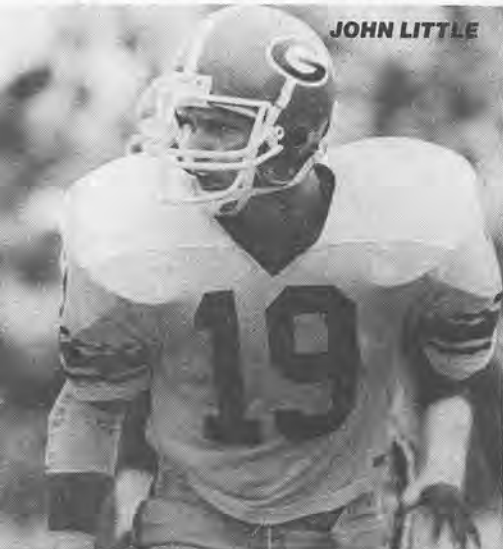
TENNESSEE

Everything went right for the Vols last season. Even when an injury knocked quarterback Tony Robinson out, UT kept rolling ... to an SEC championship, a Sugar Bowl upset over Miami, and a 9-1-2 record—much to everyone's surprise. The success should continue.

The defense, which allowed only 12.1 points a game last year, lost only two starters. Back are linebacker Dale Jones, perhaps the premier defensive player in the SEC; linebacker Kelly Zeigler, who led the team in tackles (101); tackle Mark Hovanic, a 6-3, 255-pounder who had eight quarterback sacks;

and free safety Charles Davis, who had three interceptions. Jones, the heart of a defense that led the nation in turnover margin, had five sacks, caused five fumbles, recovered two fumbles, and had 82 tackles. "Jones has one of the greatest knacks for making big plays of anyone I've ever seen," says his coach, Johnny Majors. "I don't know where it comes from—great players just have it. He's in a mold by himself. He's driven."

The offense lost six starters, but most of the line returns, including Bruce Wilkerson (6-5, 272), who played at either guard or tackle. Others are center Todd Kirk (6-2, 257) and guards Harry Galbreath (6-1, 257) and John



JOHN LITTLE



KEITH HENDERSON

Bruhin (6-3, 285). There is no proven quarterback, however. Sophomore Jeff Frances, the only quarterback with any real game experience, is expected to start over Randy Sanders, a sophomore who was impressive in the preseason drills.

The kicking game could be another problem. The punting job is unsettled and coaches were unable to find a solid snapper during a spring search. Scoring should come from all-SEC place-kicker Carlos Reveiz (24-of-28 field goals), tailback Keith Davis (684 yards rushing as a freshman), and wide receiver Joey Clinkscales, who had 22 catches, 434 yards, and four touchdowns.

UT signed one of the biggest recruits in the conference: Antone Davis, a 6-7, 310-pound lineman from Ft. Valley, Ga. Two other top prospects are Alvin Harper, a wide receiver

from Frostproof, Fla., and Vincent Moore, a running back from Memphis.

Majors may not have quite the offensive firepower he had in '85, but with his defensive unit and a less-than-frightening schedule, he should beat everyone on the slate—except Auburn and Alabama.

FLORIDA

For the past two seasons the Gators were one of the nation's best teams, but had a difficult time proving it because they weren't permitted in a bowl. This year they'll probably be allowed to go to a bowl, but it's a little late. This Florida team won't be nearly so strong as the past two. The toll of NCAA sanctions probably has caught up with Florida. For the past two seasons the Gators were forced to offer a reduced number of athletic scholarships. Depth has become a problem. Still, the Gators will be dangerous.

Kerwin Bell, a 6-3, 210-pound junior, returns to quarterback, where he has been a starter since a freshman. Bell, second in the nation in passing efficiency, will have wide receiver Ricky Nattiel to throw to, but he won't have running backs Neal Anderson or John Williams. The offensive line, led by guard Jeff Zimmerman (6-4, 310) is a good one. Other starters returning are tackle David Williams (6-5, 295), guard Jimmy Davis (6-5, 279), and center Frank McCarthy (6-2, 252).

The defense lost seven starters, but does have tackle Keith Williams (6-4, 265) and linebacker Scott Armstrong. Williams was second on the team in tackles while Armstrong is a two-year starter. Also returning are cornerbacks Jarvis Williams, who led the backs with 53 tackles, and Adrian White, who has started at both free and strong safety.

The Gators, led by punter Ray Criswell, had one of the best kicking games in the nation. But Criswell is gone and coach Galen Hall hasn't found a solid replacement. Florida couldn't sign many recruits, but it did get some good ones. Two of the best are Octavis Gould of Browns Mills, N.J., and lineman Bob Sims (6-4, 280) from Golden West Community College in California. Hall, 17-1-1 his first two seasons at Florida, won't collect as many victories this time around. Not only does he have to fight the NCAA numbers game, but he also faces a killer schedule.

Responds Hall: "Our schedule is a very demanding one, but we helped ourselves by getting an open date before Alabama and again before the Auburn-Georgia-Kentucky run in November."



YANN COWART

KENTUCKY

Last season, the running-back combo of Mark Logan and Mark Higgs accounted for 1,326 yards rushing and was dubbed the "Marks Brothers." But despite having the Marks Brothers around, few were smiling at Kentucky. There were too many losses (six) and not enough victories (five) from a team expected to fare well.

The Marks Brothers return this season, along with senior quarterback Bill Ransdell, junior place-kicker Joe Worley (19 of 28 field goals), and several other outstanding skill people. One reason for the Cats' '85 flop was that Ransdell was injured early and never fully recovered. He's healthy now, but his offensive front is gone: both tackles, one guard, and the center. The lone returning starting lineman is guard Brad Myers (6-2, 271). Ransdell, a 6-2, 205-pound starter, completed 133 of 231 passes for 1,314 yards despite playing in only seven full games. His top receivers are senior wide receiver Cornell Burbage, who had 25 catches for 418 yards, and senior tight end Mark Wheeler (6-2, 212), who had 18 catches for 229 yards.

Defensively, there is a solid corps of linebackers in senior Larry Smith (6-1, 226), the SEC's leading tackler (152), sophomore Chris Chenault (6-2, 233), and junior Jeff Kremer (6-2, 231). The other three returning defensive starters are back Tony Mayes (three interceptions), junior tackle Jerry Reese (6-1, 259), and senior guard Tom Wilkins (6-3, 248).

Kentucky will have one of the South's hottest high school prospects in running back Al Baker, but coach Jerry Claiborne will have too many holes to fill to enjoy Baker's work.



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MISSISSIPPI STATE

A guy named Smith playing at a no-glamour place like Mississippi State just isn't going to get a lot of attention, even if he is a quarterback. Too bad. Don Smith, a 6-1, 195-pound senior, is talented. He was the SEC's total-offense leader while setting a school record of 2,886 yards. He heads an offense that returns seven players from a team that went 5-6. The line has tackle Alvin Robinson (6-5, 275) and guard Stan Sims (6-3, 260) back. Also returning are senior tight end Louis Clark (6-2, 220), the Bullies' big-play performer with 22 pass receptions, sophomore running back Hank Phillips (447 yards rushing), and senior fullback Marvell McKelphin (5-9, 215).

The defense, however, lost seven starters, including both ends, tackles, and two linebackers. MSU may be a tad soft up front despite the presence of Garry Frank, a 6-3, 298-pound junior nose guard who has moved from offensive tackle. The secondary is sound with cornerback Bruce Plummer and strong safety Brian Hutson. Plummer had 51 tackles, deflected 18 passes, and had an interception while Hutson had 46 tackles, two fumble recoveries, and five sacks. Cedric Corse (6-3, 215) will lead the linebackers.

Signees Tony Robertson and DeWayne King may win playing time quickly. Robertson is a 6-3, 275-pound lineman from Jackson, Miss. King is a 6-3, 205-pound linebacker from Magee, Miss.

Smith must cut down on his one bad habit—interceptions (he had an SEC-high of 14)—and an inexperienced defense must play above its head or young coach Rocky Felker will age rapidly.

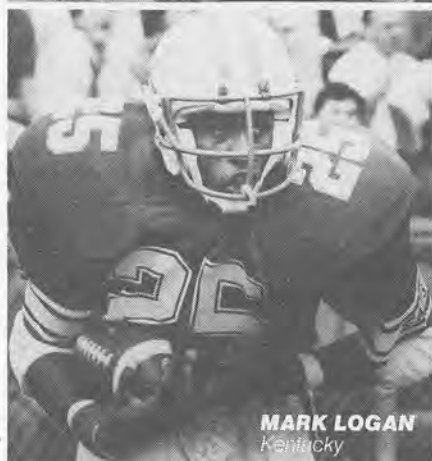
VANDERBILT

It would be nice to say Watson Brown's a proven winner, or something to that effect, but the truth is, he hasn't been anywhere long enough to prove it. Vandy is the third head coaching stop for Brown in four years. So far, he's a proven mover—in more ways than one. As offensive coordinator at Vandy, Brown's units set 57 school records in two seasons of moving the football.

Ironically, much of Brown's first season will depend on defense, where seven starters return. The heart of the unit are linebackers



KERWIN BELL
Florida



MARK LOGAN
Kentucky

Chris Gaines, Armando Fitz, and Mark Woehler. They were the top tacklers in '85. Cornerback Thanh Anderson and end Marvin Thomas are other keys on a defense that has switched from a 4-3 to a wide-tackle six.

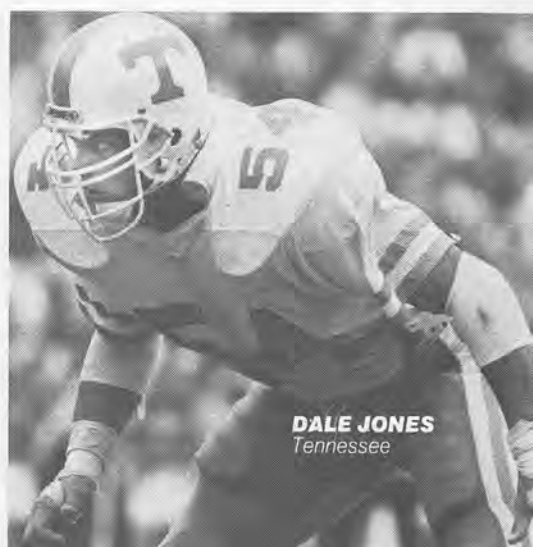
Offensively, tailback Everett Crawford and fullback Carl Woods (5-11, 200) are excellent and deserve a better line than they'll have. Crawford (5-10, 180) led SEC receivers last year with 50 receptions for 533 yards despite missing six quarters because of injuries. The only proven lineman is the guard Daryl Holt, a 6-3, 263-pound junior. Senior Mark Wracher, who has problems avoiding injuries, is expected to be the quarterback. He'll have split end Boo Mitchell (45 catches for 739 yards), one of 1985's top freshmen, to throw to.

Senior Alan Herline handles all the kicking chores well. He averaged 43.2 yards a punt and accounted for 46 points. Three of Vandy's top signees are tight end Andy McCarroll (6-3, 217) from Memphis; defensive end Demond Winston (6-3, 230) from Lansing, Mich.; and running back Mark Johnson of Tarrant, Ala.

Brown's bunch opens with road games at Alabama and Maryland and ends with a visit from Tennessee. In between won't be so tough, but enough to make improvement on 1985's 3-7-1 record very difficult.

MISSISSIPPI

The best thing about the Rebels is Bill Smith, perhaps the best danged punter in Dixie and the rest of the country, too. Unfortunately, Smith may wear his leg down to a nub before



DALE JONES
Tennessee



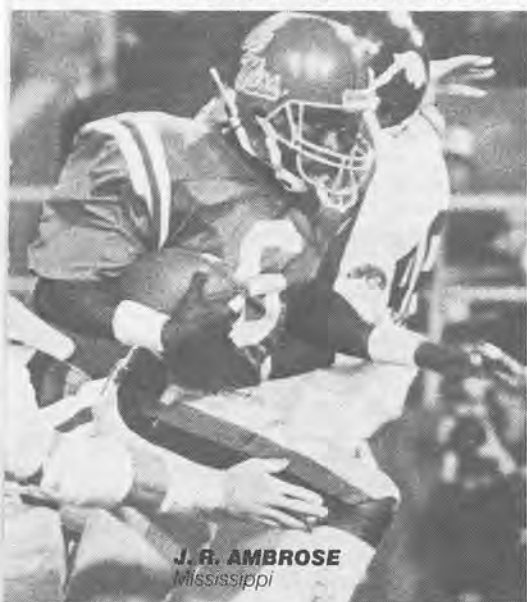
RICKY NATTIEL
Florida

the season ends. The offense doesn't have much other than wideout J.R. Ambrose.

Only three starters return to an offense that was dead last in the SEC. Coach Billy Brewer has switched offensive coordinators, but the new man isn't Merlin the Magician so it's doubtful much will change. Brewer can't decide between two sophomore quarterbacks, Chris Osgood and Mark Young, and says he may alternate the two, a plan that seldom works. Two signees who may help the offense quickly are lineman Rob Goff (6-3, 242), from Golden West Junior College in California, and wide receiver Willie Green from Athens, Ga.

There are not nearly so many problems on defense, where linebacker Jeff Herrod (6-0, 235), tackle Mike Fitzsimmons (6-2, 245), and cornerback Jonathan Shelley lead a unit that returns eight starters from last year's 4-6-1 team. Herrod, a junior, led the Rebels in tackles and was named to one sophomore All-America team. Shelley broke up 16 passes and had one interception while Fitzsimmons recorded 76 tackles. Other returnees are corner Steven Moore, strong safety Everett Flakes, and linebacker Fuzzy Huddleston.

And there is Smith, a senior who has a 45.3-yard average last year and 47.7 in 1984. He has a string of 26 consecutive games with punts longer than 50 yards. Now, if only he could score. . . .



J. R. AMBROSE
Mississippi

independents

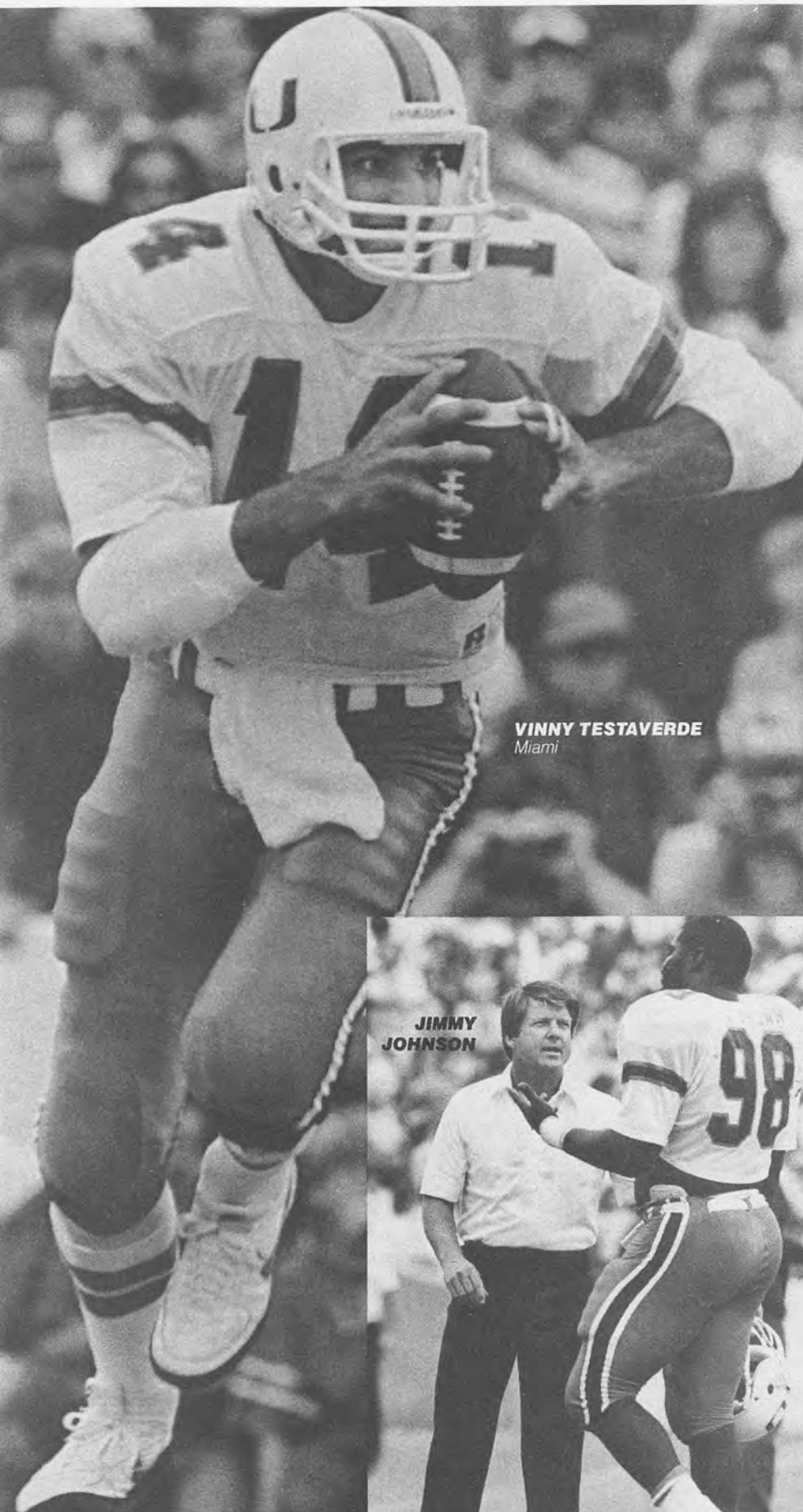
MIAMI

Vinny, Vinny, Vinny. In his first year as the Hurricanes' quarterback, Vinny Testaverde took Miami to a 10-1 regular-season record and the brink of its second national championship in three years, only to have the team fall flat against Tennessee in the Sugar Bowl. With a year's worth of experience and all but two starters returning on offense, the strapping (6-5, 220) New Yorker looks to do himself and his team one better. With 20 of 24 starters returning overall, the Hurricanes, who finished seventh and eighth in the wire-service polls, rank not only among the premier preseason southern independents, but among the premier teams in the country.

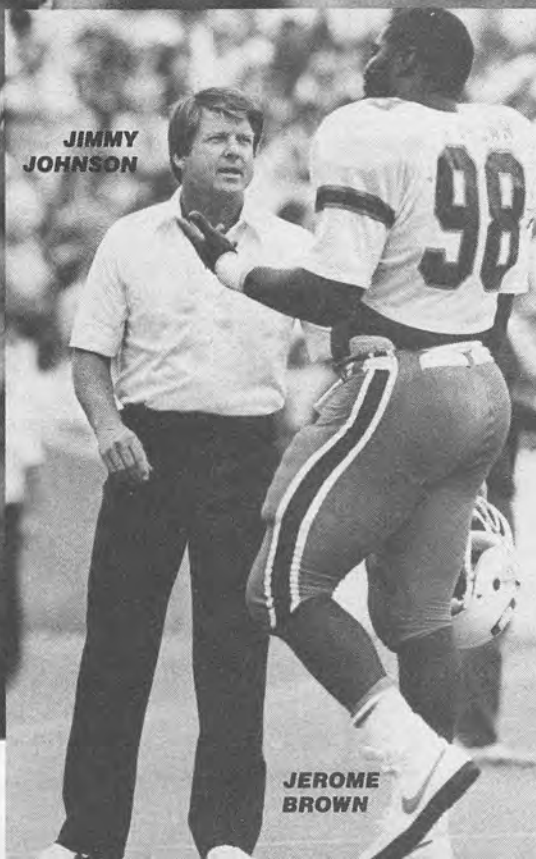
Testaverde ably answered the question "How good could Miami be without Bernie Kosar?" by throwing for 3,238 yards and 21 touchdowns last year with a 61.4 completion record and 15 interceptions. The fifth-year senior, aided by wide receivers Mike Irvin and Brian Blades, also established himself among the leading contenders for the Heisman Trophy. The tasks for third-year coach Jimmy Johnson will be to find replacements for All-America tight end Willie Smith, who caught 48 passes for 669 yards, and senior offensive tackle Paul Bertucelli. Smith's spot will be taken by fourth-year junior Charles Henry (6-2, 225), while junior John O'Neill (6-3, 260) replaces Bertucelli. The line does retain a pair of all-star performers in seniors Dave Alekna and Gregg Rakoczy.

Let's not think that Miami's attack will be confined to the air, however, consider the plight of offensive coordinator Gary Stevens. Not only does he have Testaverde, he's also got so many talented running backs he doesn't know what to do. Johnson rotated six runners last season. This year the talented Melvin Bratton (6-2, 212) will share halfback duties with junior classmate Warren Williams (6-0, 205), who led the Hurricanes in rushing (522 yards). Senior Alonzo Highsmith (6-1, 230), who had a disappointing year and flirted briefly with the idea of returning to defense, will start at fullback. Waiting on the sidelines is Cleveland Gary (6-2, 215), a Georgia transfer who impressed the coaches in the spring.

On defense, the two big losses are end John McVeigh, who was drafted by the Seattle Seahawks, and linebacker Bruce Fleming, who signed as a free agent with the Kansas City Chiefs. The Hurricanes will also be without the services of end Kevin Fagan, who was injured for most of the season but was taken in the fourth round by San Francisco this year. New defensive coordinator Dave Wannstadt, who takes over from Paul Jette, now at Texas,



VINNY TESTAVERDE
Miami



JIMMY JOHNSON

JEROME BROWN



ALONZO HIGHSMITH

will move 6-6, 250-pound junior Bill Hawkins into McVeigh's slot, while Rod Carter (6-1, 210) will take over for Fleming. The unit, which last year turned the tide of several games with pivotal turnovers converted into touchdowns, will be anchored by tackle Jerome Brown (6-3, 275). Against Oklahoma, Brown, voted the team's MVP on defense, had 16 tackles, two sacks, a blocked field goal, and a forced fumble. His cohort on the other side is junior Derwin Jones (6-4, 278). Maryland transfer Dan Sileo is in reserve.

The place-kicking duties will be handled again by Greg Cox, who scored 82 points last year. Jeff Feagles, who averaged 38.8 yards a kick, returns to handle the punting.

FLORIDA STATE

After four straight postseason bowl appearances, what can the Seminoles do for an encore? How about a fifth appearance with no losses? This time on New Year's Day?

Coming off a 9-3 mark and a 34-23 Gator Bowl victory over Oklahoma State, the Seminoles are returning 18 of 24 full- or part-time starters. More importantly, their quarterback problems of a year ago have been resolved in the person of junior Chip Ferguson (6-1, 207), who coach Bobby Bowden predicts soon will be talked about in the same breath as Miami's Vinny Testaverde and Florida's Kerwin Bell. Ferguson, who replaced Danny McManus last year, will lead a typically explosive FSU offense which may, at times, show an untypical look, the pro set, in addition to its traditional I-formation. With a solid core of running backs in Victor Floyd, Keith Ross, and Chuck Walls, the Seminoles can only improve with the addition of redshirted sophomore Sammie Smith, a hotly pursued prep All-America who rushed for 125 yards before being injured in the third game of last season. Seventy-four of those yards came on 12 carries against Nebraska. Although FSU will be hurt by the graduation of wide receiver Hassan Jones, the big losses are in the offensive line, which will be without the services of All-America guard Jamie Dukes and three-year starter at tackle John Ionata. Returning at split guard is 6-3, 313-pound Pat Tomberlin, as well as part-time starters Pablo Lopez (6-4, 268), Mark Salva (6-2, 250), and David Schrenker (6-3, 250). Bowden also looks for help from Georgia transfer Jimmy Holton (6-2, 265).

The Seminoles additionally lost several key defensive linemen in tackles Isaac Williams and Stanley Scott and nose guard Todd Stroud, and a unit which gave up several big plays last season is a major concern of Bowden's. The sole returning starter on the line is senior tackle Gerald Nicols (6-2, 265), while replacements for Stroud and Williams will be found among Eric Haynes (6-3, 289), Chris Miller (6-1, 290), Tony Yeomans (6-2, 280), and Eric Krohn (6-2, 250). Both Paul McGowan (6-1, 218) and Fred Jones (6-3, 242) are returning at inside linebacker, while the secondary returns seven players and all its starters, including safeties Deion Sanders and Stan Shiver and cornerbacks Martin Mayhew and Eric Williams.

Punter Louis Berry, who averaged 43.1 yards, is back, as is kicker Derek Schmidt, who hit 18 of 25 field goals and ran his string of consecutive PATs to 86 last season. Also returning are Sanders, who averaged 8.3 yards on punt returns, and kickoff returner Keith Ross, who averaged 24.6 yards.

SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

The problem at Southern Mississippi last season was that every time the Golden Eagles played a "name team," they lost. In a 7-4 year, USM dropped decisions to Auburn, Alabama, Mississippi State, and Colorado State, the last in a driving snowstorm. Coach Jim Carmody, entering his fifth season in Hattiesburg, hopes for a change of fortunes this year, with the result being an invitation to a bowl game. However, with road games against Alabama, Texas A&M, Kentucky, and Florida State, Carmody has to face facts: only drastic improvement can hold off a replay of a year ago.

Eight offensive starters, including split end Chris Magee (17-216-5) and the two leading rushers, tailback Vincent Alexander (188-837-3) and fullback Randolph Brown (109-503-4), return to the pro-I offense which averaged 23.2 points per game (207.8 yards on the



KEITH ROSS
Florida State

ground and 152.6 yards in the air). Quarterback Andrew Anderson (84 of 174 for 1,319 yards and 10 touchdowns) returns for his senior season with hopes of improving on his 48.3 percent completion rate. Four of five offensive linemen, led by right guard Tim Tallman (6-4, 250), return to bolster the offense.

Five players return to the "50" defense run by coordinator Thomas Coleman. They are end Steve Brown (6-3, 198), nose guard Sidney Coleman (6-2, 240), linebacker Onesimus Henry (6-0, 212)—last year's leading tackler—strong safety Colins Hess, and free safety Tim Smith. The strong points of the team, according to Carmody, are the special units. Punter Billy Knighten (42.1-yard average) returns, as does place-kicker Rex Banks, who hit all 27 extra-points attempts and connected on 13 of 24 field goals. In addition, Mike Richards is back to handle the kickoffs and Andrew Mott the returns. Last year, Mott returned nine kickoffs for 188 yards and 44 punts for a 10.6-yard average.

TENNESSEE STATE

The winningest team, by percentage, in the history of Division I-AA, Tennessee State, has every intention of maintaining that distinction for awhile. Which is why third-year coach Bill Thomas is so frantically searching for a quarterback to replace Gilbert Renfro. In leading TSU to a 7-4 mark a year ago, which improved the Tigers' record in I-AA to 383-105-26, Renfro threw for 2,492 yards and 15 touchdowns. Following spring drills, it appears Stacy Grear (6-4, 189) may be the answer to Thomas's prayers. Grear, who threw just eight passes last year, has been sharp and should open the season with Chauncey Hines and Leon Garlington fighting for backup time.

Three starters from the offensive line, which allowed the Tigers to average 22.3 points per game, must be replaced. Alvin Street, Keith Tarver, and Wade Strickland will start somewhere along the line, with John Elder, Tommy Faison, James Braden, and Allif Dove battling for the remaining two spots. Also gone on offense is running back Marlon Johnson, the team's leading rusher last year. But Steve Griffin (85 carries for 358 yards), Robert Brannon (64-321), and Quintin Crawford (6-67) are back. At tight end, Steve Holloway filled in admirably for the injured Riley Walton and will be the starter this season. Victor Winfrey, Tyrone Watson, and Ricky Hockett are in reserve. Three wide receivers who saw starting duty in '85 return: Bart Evans, Rodney Patrick, and Frank Pillow.

Four regulars from the unit that ranked fifth nationally in total defense (277.1 yards per game) have departed, so coordinator Craig Gilliam is looking for a more intense pass rush from his returnees. On the line, Marlon Dean is back after sitting out last season. Joining him up front are Lawrence Mims, Harold Turks, Lewis Leeper, and Steve Dowdell. Charles Buchannon will see duty at tackle and line-backer. The success of the defense rests on the shoulders of senior linebackers Onzy Elam, a three-year starter, and Bryan Williams.



CHIP FERGUSON

Also expected to see a good deal of action is Ron Reed, the son of former TCU All-America Robert Reed. Carl McAfee, a top pro prospect, heads the secondary at strong safety. The rest of the first string in the defensive backfield should be Albert Thomas, Roger Holmes, and Robert Hall.

Joe Guydon will handle the place-kicking and Jeff Troutman the punting. With seven home games, the Tigers should at least match last year's record; if Grear excels at quarterback, TSU may make a run at the playoffs.

MEMPHIS STATE

Last season, then-defensive coordinator Charlie Bailey led the Florida Gators to a ninth-place finish in total defense among the NCAA's 105 Division-I teams. This year, he's got a tougher job: leading Memphis State, which finished 2-7-2, to a successful season as the Tigers' new head coach. Bailey, who, dating back to 1965, served as defensive coordinator for the University of Tampa, Rice, Kentucky, Pitt, and the Tampa Bay Bandits of the USFL, replaces Rey Dempsey, who was 7-12-2 in his two years at Memphis State.

Quick improvement will be a tough job for Bailey, a native of Poca, West Virginia. Memphis State lost 24 lettermen, including linebackers Tim Harris and Eric Fairs, the team's leading tackler, and is returning just five start-

ers each on offense and defense, along with punter Arthur Franklin. The defense, which for years had been a Tiger strength, gave up 243 points last season and an average of 325.3 yards per game (54th in total defense overall). The unit will be anchored by senior end Dennis Borcky (6-4, 275), an All-America candidate. A two-year starter, Borcky finished the 1985 season with 82 tackles, including six for losses. He has career totals of 208 tackles and 11 sacks. Another key on defense is inside linebacker Octavian Sharp (6-1, 221), the No. 2 tackler last season.

Offensively, the standout is junior flanker Jerry Harris (5-8, 178), who led the Tigers in receiving last year with 30 catches for 519 yards and four touchdowns. Harris, who averaged 17.3 yards per reception, also serves as the team's punt and kickoff returner. He holds the school record for the longest kickoff return (98 yards) as well as the most career kickoff-return yards (1,012).

WESTERN KENTUCKY

As the arm of quarterback Jeff Cesarone goes, so go the fortunes of Western Kentucky. In his first two years with the I-AA Hilltoppers, Cesarone already owns just about every single-season and career school passing record. In guiding an inexperienced team to four victories a year ago, he threw for 2,737 yards and 18 touchdowns and set a I-AA mark for the lowest interception percentage in a season (1.57, on just seven interceptions). Although he lost his two top receivers, Cesarone has dependable targets in senior Keith Paskett (47 receptions for 829 yards and 7 TDs) and junior Cedric Jones (38-439). At running back, Joe Arnold (6.2-yard average on 45 rushes, 24 catches for 199 yards) returns along with Pat McKenzie (29-175).

Defensively, third-year coach Dave Roberts thinks his linebacking corps is the key to a winning record. Neil Fatkin (5-7, 210) anchors the unit. He had a team-leading 112 tackles and six sacks. Marcus Bennett also returns. The 'Toppers are experienced at the corners, too, with Vernard Johnson back from an injury and Harold Wright. James Edwards and Mark Johnson are the safeties.

The kicking game remains the same, with Adam Lindsey (37.2-yard average) handling the punting and Dan Maher the placements. Maher set a school record for kicking points last season (60) and tied another standard with 10 field goals.

The Hilltoppers were 3-2 at home (the losses were by a total of three points) in '85. With six home games this season and 17 returning starters, there is optimism in Bowling Green, Ky.

TULANE

After winning just one game and permitting twice as many points as it scored in Mack Brown's first season as coach, Tulane has nowhere to go but up in 1986. Brown, 34, plans to install the option offense in an effort to bolster a weak running game. And he does have a large contingent of returning runners. On defense Tulane will search for a way to stop opponents from running the ball. A year ago, the Green Wave averaged just 74.8 yards per game and surrendered 248 while being outscored, 334-166.

The offense will depend on versatile sophomore quarterback Terrence Jones (6-1, 207). In becoming the first Tulane freshman to amass over 1,000 total yards, Jones ran for

377, passed for 704, and had seven receptions for 32. There are six running backs challenging for playing time in '86, including returnees Rodney Hunter and Danny Michael and juco transfer Marvin Allen. The receivers are the most experienced group. Marc Zeno (6-3, 198), a junior wideout, caught 73 passes for 1,137 yards and three touchdowns in setting several school records. Maurice Nelson also returns. Reggie Sutton (6-2, 203) is back at tight end, but most likely he'll lose his starting job to Larry Route (6-1, 230), who was injured early last season after having started 27 straight games. The line is very questionable, with Brown experimenting at nearly every position. Ralph Wall (6-2, 248) moves to center while the guards appear to be John Ripoli (6-2, 249) and Bob Hirschfield (6-2, 250) and the tackles Tom Howley (6-5, 248) and Andre Lockley (6-6, 269). Bernie Daniels (6-0, 287) and Vince Scaglione (6-3, 259) have been switched from defense to offense.

Defensively, the Green Wave will be led by senior end Tony Hannah (6-2, 215) and soph free safety Thurston Harrison. Hannah recovered four fumbles and intercepted two passes to go with two sacks and 47 tackles; Harrison recorded 52 stops with a fumble recovery and an interception. With linebackers Burnell Dent, Tulane's career tackle leader, and Mike Landry gone, replacements look to be Richard Harvey and Troy Wetzel. The line is a big question mark. In the spring Tulane didn't have a kicker or punter on scholarship.

This season doesn't look much brighter than last for Brown and the Green Wave.

GEORGIA SOUTHERN

In his fourth year as head coach, Erk Russell brought a national championship to the Statesboro campus. The Eagles compiled a 13-2 record en route to the Division I-AA title. This season should see continued success with 16 starters returning.

Leading the Hambone attack is the eponymous Tracy Ham at quarterback. He can do it all. Last year he threw for 2,184 yards and 15 touchdowns and led the Eagles in rushing with 1,131 yards. Ham will be joined by fellow seniors Ricky and Gerald Harris (no relation) in the backfield. Ricky became the school's first back to gain over 1,000 yards and led the team with 29 receptions; Gerald is a bruising fullback who gained 962 yards and 17 TDs. Monty Sharp, the Eagles' all-time leading receiver, also returns. Russell must find replacements for tackles Vance Pike and Jeff Evans. Junior guards James Carter and Charles Cochran are back, but center is up for grabs between Dennis Franklin and Jay Marshall.

Prior to coaching the Eagles, Russell spent 17 years as the defensive coordinator of the Georgia Bulldogs. Last season his team surrendered 19.5 points per game while scoring 30.7. He hopes to tighten his split-60 defense with seven returning starters. Leading the unit is Nan Young, an All-America candidate at cornerback who had seven interceptions a year ago. At the other corner is Chris Aiken, who had six interceptions. Brad Bowen and Milton Gore are at safety. The linebacking is solid with Flint Matthews, Robert Underwood, and David Hodge. Replacements are needed in the line, so Tyrone Hull has been shifted from linebacker. Sammy Williams should move up to full-time duty in '86 and Edward Eaves is hoping to bounce back from a knee injury suffered last season.

All-America Tim Foley is back to handle the place-kicking. He connected on 23 of 26 field goals, including a school-record 54-yarder, and 42 of 44 PATs. Pat Parker and Rob Whitton are the punters.

LOUISVILLE

In the case of Louisville, it's difficult to determine whether 17 of 22 starters returning is good news or bad. In Howard Schnellenberger's inaugural season as head coach, the Cardinals had the worst defense in the nation, allowing 503 yards per game, and an offense that produced 18.1 points per game. It resulted in a 2-9 year.

Can it get any worse? With the crafty Schnellenberger calling the shots (along with new defensive coordinator Rick Lantz), the



MATT BATTAGLIA
Louisville



DWAYNE WILLIAMS
Southwestern Louisiana

Cardinals will eventually develop into a competitive team. Don't expect it to happen this season, although the Cardinals may pull off a surprise or two. In fact, the Louisville lineup looks like it has a few surprises. Although Ed Rubbert (1,475 yards, five TDs) returns at quarterback, look for Jay Gruden (839 yards and two TDs) to start the season. Rubbert's 12 interceptions didn't sit well with the offense-minded Schnellenberger. Gruden is one of 28 Louisville players from the state of Florida, the coach's favorite recruiting area.

The rushing game should be improved with the return of Craig Swaback, who missed last season with a foot injury. Fullback John Adams (528 yards and seven TDs) will do much of the running. Halfback Larry Strecklin is back after gaining 210 yards rushing and 189 receiving. Rodney Knighton and Deon Booker also will see playing time. With Ernest Givins and Junior Jones gone, the receiving corps will consist of tight end Danny Thomas (39-523-2) and wideouts Calvin Dixon and Joey Hamilton. Along the line should be guards Larry Galcik (6-2, 251) and Mike Veto (6-3,

259), tackles Bruce Armstrong (6-4, 249) and Mike McKinney (6-4, 230), and Jeff Smith (6-2, 215) or Jim Nauret (6-4, 248) at center.

On defense, 10 starters return, including linebacker Mike Battaglia (6-3, 218). He was the only bright spot (with 153 tackles) for a unit which allowed 39 points per game. Mike Minosue (6-1, 220) and Paul Schaller (6-0, 215) are the ends, Don Johnson (6-3, 236) and Andrew Higgs (6-3, 250) the tackles, and Bobby Jefferson (6-2, 253) the nose guard. At the other linebacking spot is Joe Jackson (6-1, 205). The corners are Gary Warren and Tony Wiggins and the safeties Antonio Davis and James Bell.

Place-kicker Danny Cerione (18 of 19 extra points, 9 of 10 field goals) and punter Kirk Kennedy (40.4-yard average) return. The two games Louisville won last year were against I-AA Western Kentucky and Division II Central Florida. The Cardinals drop down in class only once in '86. It will be another long season.

FLORIDA A&M

Florida A&M graduate Ken Riley, who spent 15 years with the Cincinnati Bengals, returns to his alma mater, and the Rattlers plan to uncoil a wide-open passing offense in 1986. Riley replaces Rudy Hubbard, who spent 12 years at FAMU before being fired after a 4-7 season in '85. But Riley has enthusiasm for a program that has been on a decline.

The Rattlers of Division I-AA return 38 lettermen, including eight starters on offense and defense. Weaknesses may be found in both lines. Overall, though, Riley has inherited a

solid group of players. They'll begin their climb up the college football ladder once a starting quarterback is named. Following spring drills, Oscar Williams and Todd Lanter were still battling for the No. 1 job, with Lanter appearing to have the slight edge. Anderson Fluellen and Calvin Giles also are in the picture. The problem was created with the loss of Mike Kelly. Also gone are wideout Billy Wilson and sack specialist Merlon Jones.

The returnees on offense include running back Tony Barber, who had 947 yards and six TDs last season, and split end Robert Gentile, who had 20 catches for 351 yards. On defense, Bruce Norflee (6-2, 265) returns at tackle, where he led the team with 82 stops and five sacks, and Gene Atkins at strong safety. Atkins missed six games with a broken ankle but still had three interceptions (one for a 96-yard TD), 30 tackles, a blocked kick, and two fumble recoveries. Kicker Maurice Freeman has hit 87 of 95 career extra points and is within 34 points of tying the school record set by Greg Coleman.

With a tough opening schedule, Riley's homecoming may sour a bit, but look for the Rattlers to come on strong by season's end.

SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA

Another southern independent hired a new coach for the 1986 season. The Ragin' Cajuns invaded the staff at Clemson and came up with offensive coordinator Nelson Stokley, who just happens to hail from nearby Crowley, La. But while Florida A&M's Ken Riley has a veteran group returning, such is not the case

with USL's Stokley. In addition to enlisting new assistant coaches to help reverse last season's 4-7 record, USL brought in 25 freshmen and five junior-college players to try to offset the loss of 22 lettermen.

All is not lost, however. Stokley does have 13 returning starters, including quarterback Thomas King and kicker Pat Broussard (11 of 19 field goals and a team-leading 46 points). The Ragin' Cajuns will have new looks on both offense and defense. Stokley has junked the option in favor of the ever popular run-and-shoot offense, while the defense has switched from the old 5-2 to a blitz-conscious, eight-man front. In USL's fifth season of I-A competition, the schedule has only one probable top 20 team in Oklahoma State (the opener on September 6), and it looks quite possible for the Ragin' Cajuns to improve on last year's victory total.

On offense, the returnees include wide receiver Willie Culpepper, tight end Carl Isaac, running back Dwayne Williams (112-524-3), and tackles Leonard Isacks (6-2, 264) and Jay Hebert (6-2, 245). On defense, look for end Joe DeForest (6-1, 238), nose guard Jed Hebert (6-1, 245), cornerbacks Elton Slater and Patrick Taylor, and strong safety Steve Judice. Junior-college transfer Buddy Still inherits the punting chores left by Terry Falgout.

The running backs are inexperienced and the linebacking corps will be totally revamped. If King, with backup Clint Campbell, shows some poise in directing the new offense and the secondary can turn the big play, USL may surprise a few opponents.

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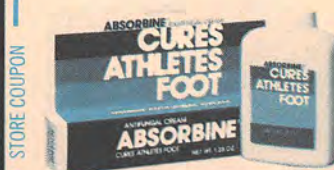
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● There is more than a small dose of irony involved with Notre Dame's opening game this season, a September 13 contest at home against Michigan that will mark the beginning of the Lou Holtz era. It was a game against Michigan which introduced reality to the Gerry Faust era of Notre Dame football six years ago.

It was not Faust's first game as head coach at Notre Dame, but it was his first defeat. It was one-sided and emphatic, and it was a clear case of Bo Schembechler outcoaching the earnest man who had spent most of his career winning constantly at Cincinnati's Moeller High School. That was the first sign that Faust would be overmatched at the highest levels of college football.

Now Notre Dame football, in a moribund state for most of the last five years, is in the hands of a man considered to be in the ne plus ultra class of college coaches—Holtz. For the Irish players, the transformation began early last winter. They arose, by Holtz's order, at 6 A.M. twice weekly for weight training and conditioning. Not only did they rise early, but they did it cheerfully and eagerly.

That alone is a story. It has to do with the manner in which Notre Dame finished the 1985 college season. In their final game, it seemed that Irish smiles might be suspended indefinitely. That was the day on which the University of Miami coach, Jimmy Johnson, with an eye on the national polls, ran up the score against Notre Dame, 58-7. Even the Notre Damers couldn't blame Johnson entirely. The nickname "Fighting Irish" was a fraud that afternoon. Notre Dame flat out quit. That was the end of the Faust era.

Holtz's first task as new head coach was to restore pride and morale. He made it known to the players that he and his assistant coaches had better things to do than lead them by the hand through elementary conditioning drills each afternoon. The players would have to make time at dawn for that sort of thing. The Irish then were sent through an unusual spring training. They started March 14, the earliest workout date in Notre Dame's recent history. They worked for five days with each session filmed so that Holtz and his aides could evaluate their findings. After that the players were allowed to go on spring break while the coaches completed their analyses.

When the players returned, Holtz made his moves. One of the most important was the switching of Mark Green from flanker to running back, the position he played as a high school star in Los Angeles. Since running back is one of the positions Holtz failed to fortify in his recruiting, Green could be the starting tailback. Another major position switch was the move of Robert Banks from linebacker to the defensive line. Banks was one of the nation's most highly recruited blue chippers when he came out of Hampton, Va., as a linebacker, but Holtz is in need of defensive ends. Mark Nigro, formerly an inside linebacker, was switched to the defensive line. So was tight end Tom Gorman. Alvin Miller, *Parade Magazine's* High School player of the year in 1982, was first moved from wide receiver to tight end, but after the spring break, Holtz put Miller back at wide receiver.

That may be a tipoff on the new coach's offensive plans. Normally, Holtz prefers a running quarterback, but he also is flexible rather than doctrinaire. He inherited pocket passers

**Lou Holtz
has succeeded
Gerry Faust as
coach at Notre Dame.
He'll try to put the fight
back in the Irish.**

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from Faust, so he may have to lean toward Steve Beuerlein, the most experienced of the bunch. Beuerlein hasn't developed into the passer Notre Dame had hoped, but Holtz needs his potential. The Irish do have the receivers for an explosive passing game. Holtz thinks flanker Tim Brown could be a great one. Reggie Ward, the other starting receiver, is outstanding, and there was a bonus when Milt Jackson, a one-time hot prospect whose illness kept him out of football in 1985, returned. Then there is Miller, whose abilities have yet to be tapped.

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Putting the right players in the right spot is vital to Holtz, because there was widespread opinion that some of Faust's major problems arose from his players being used out of position. Coming into the 1985 college season, the pro scouts gave Eric Dorsey a rating which ranged from "long shot" to "reject." But Dorsey played nose tackle for his first three seasons. When he was switched to defensive end, he flourished. He was the dominating player in a half dozen games last year, including those against LSU and Southern



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Cal. The pros ended up ranking him among the top defensive ends in the draft. The New York Giants thought so highly of him that they made him their first-round choice.

"Why was he a nose tackle for three seasons?" commented the chief talent evaluator for an NFL team. "You would have to ask the Notre Dame coaches. No pro scout I ever talked to thought he was qualified to play that position."

The worst case of playing a man out of position may have been that of Frank Stams, recruited out of Akron, Oh., as one of the top schoolboy linebackers in the country. He was Notre Dame's starting fullback last fall.

"He may be a good linebacker, I don't know," said a scout for a West Coast NFL team. "But he sure isn't a fullback." The scout said that Stams, placed in the lineup to help All-America halfback Allen Pinkett with effective blocking, handicapped Pinkett, instead. "Stams is a big, long-strider who took forever to get to the hole," remarked the scout. "Pinkett had to wait for him half the time." Stams, however, suffered a setback when he broke his ankle early in this year's spring drills. He sat out the remainder of the preseason workouts.

The manner in which some of the Irish players were used in proper positions also came under critical fire. Dave Duerson and Stacey Toran never became the defensive backs they were expected to be during their days at Notre Dame. But Duerson starred on the Chicago Bears' Super Bowl champions and went to the Pro Bowl. Toran is a valuable man in the Los Angeles Raiders' secondary.

"When they were at Notre Dame, they had to play so deep you sometimes couldn't see them in the game films," said a scout. "Pro safeties often play right up on the line of scrimmage, so you had trouble making judgments on those guys."

To help correct the mistakes of the past, Holtz did some unexpected things. One was to bring back Joe Yonto to the staff. Yonto was an influential defensive coach for years under Ara Parseghian and later Dan Devine. He ended up as an assistant to the athletic director during Faust's regime. Another move was to retain Mike Stock, possibly Faust's most respected aide. Stock is a skilled offensive tactician, teacher, and recruiter. Holtz also kept line coach George Kelly, an Irish assistant for 17 years and a recruiting influence in the Chicago area.

For all his disappointing won-lost records, Faust was a superb recruiter. The problem was with what happened to all the talent once it got to South Bend. Faust enjoyed blue-chip sweeps for several years. Holtz didn't do that in his initial try, but he did well enough. It was an exceptional season for

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Chicago schoolboy football in 1985, and Holtz was the recruiting winner in that region. Veteran observers of prep football in Chicago say that John Foley is the best linebacker to come out of the city since Dick Butkus. The 240-pounder, whom *USA Today* named its national defensive player of the year, enrolled at Notre Dame. Holtz had to assure Foley that Kelly, a long-time family friend, would remain on the coaching staff. The Irish also took four outstanding linemen from Chicago: 6-6, 270-pound Paul Glonek; 6-6, 235-pound Jeff Alm; Jeff Pearson and John Zaleski, a teammate of Foley's at St. Rita's High School who punted for a 46.7-yard average.

One trouble area was running back. Of the seven backs the Irish invited to visit the campus, five rejected the offers. The one blue-chip signee was Braxton Banks, a big fullback from Hayward, Calif. Possibly the most interesting recruit was Tony Rice of Woodruff, S.C. While Holtz is virtually obligated to stay with a pocket passer for now, Rice could be his eventual running quarterback. He led Woodruff to three consecutive unbeaten seasons and the last two South Carolina state championships. He ran for 22 touchdowns last fall, throwing for 15 more. Rice reportedly received hate mail from all over the state when he refused to make recruiting visits to either Clemson or the University of South Carolina.

Notre Dame is not a school which expects quick fixes in its athletic program. It would be difficult to find a major college that would have exercised as much patience as the Notre Dame administration exercised with Faust. A large faction of the alumni considered it agonizing patience. So there is no great push for an immediate reversal in Irish football. Yet Holtz is a coach known for immediate turnarounds. He did it at North Carolina State, at Arkansas, and at Minnesota.

Lou Holtz led Arkansas to a stunning upset of Oklahoma in the 1978 Orange Bowl. The new Notre Dame coach, he lost Allen Pinkett (#20) and Eric Dorsey to the pros but still has quarterback Steve Beuerlein to run the revamped Irish attack.

The Irish schedule is the usual stern challenge. Holtz won't be able to ease into his new role. The week after the Michigan opener, Notre Dame plays Michigan State and Lorenzo White, followed by Purdue, and then a game at Alabama. But Holtz is not the type to try to just ease into his role. Remember the 1978 Orange Bowl, when Holtz suspended three of his Arkansas starters on the eve of the Razorbacks' confrontation with Oklahoma? The Porkers still overwhelmed the favored Sooners, 31-6, and might have won the national championship if Notre Dame had not upset No. 1 Texas in the Cotton Bowl to rise from No. 5 to the title. The Irish were coached by Dan Devine at the time.

The only period in Holtz's coaching career in which he has gone unfulfilled was his brief hitch in the pros, with the New York Jets. It didn't last a full season and the enduring picture of Holtz, who hates cold weather, was of him shivering along the sidelines at Shea Stadium as the Jets lost game after game. "Pro football and Lou Holtz weren't made for each other," said Holtz when he resigned a few weeks before the end of that NFL season. Yet people who know Holtz well say that the one failure in his career still gnaws at him, and that he would take another pro job if it were attractive enough and presented the opportunity for making amends for what he didn't accomplish with the Jets.

Holtz does have his detractors. "Lou is like the sheriff hired to clean out the troubled town in the old West," says another college head coach. "He puts on the badge, immediately establishes the rules of law, and cleans out the troublemakers. But after a while, the townspeople get to dislike the sheriff almost as much as they did the troublemakers."

Holtz is a man with a lot of stickers on his luggage—William and Mary, North Carolina State, the Jets, Arkansas, Minnesota, and now Notre Dame. Yet he maintains that "Notre Dame is the job I've dreamed of since I was a kid." Maybe now the sheriff will settle down for good in this troubled town.



midwest

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● A return to normalcy. That's what Big Ten fans can expect in 1986 after three years of all-out warfare. The band of gunslingers that has terrorized the conference has finally been run out of town and a respectable cornerback can once more walk the streets in peace without fear of being blown to pieces.

The Big Ten will probably never return to the thrill-less days of yesteryear with its three yards and a cloud of dust and a hearty heigh-ho Woody. But the running game appears ready to resume its rightful place in the Big Ten pecking order. The passing game may not have been just a passing fancy, but look at all the fancy passers who have graduated: Jim Everett at Purdue, Chuck Long at Iowa, Jack Trudeau at Illinois, and Steve Bradley at Indiana. Record setters all.

In place of limber arms will be nimble feet. Of the top three returning quarterbacks in the conference, only Ohio State's Jim Karsatos is a pure passer. Michigan's Jim Harbaugh, who probably tops the list, was the national leader in passing efficiency last year, but one reason for that is he'd sooner slip outside your containment than throw the ball into your double coverage. Minnesota's Rick Foggie can hurt you with his arm, but he'll kill you with his running ability.

Curiously, the one team that might emphasize the pass more this year is the team that has the Big Ten's, and probably the nation's,

best runner. Michigan State has Heisman Trophy candidate Lorenzo White, a durable and slashing tailback, but it also has quarterback Dave Yarema and some quality receivers. Yarema missed five games with an injury last year, but won every game he started until the All-American Bowl.

The watchword around the conference is "balance." Even pass-happy teams like Illinois, Iowa, and Purdue have vowed to put more emphasis on the running game. Since none of those three has a battle-tested quarterback, that could be out of necessity.

There is a second way in which the Big Ten is expected to return to normalcy this year. The Big Two is back. You can look for Michigan and Ohio State to duke it out for the Big Ten title with only Michigan State and Iowa having an outside chance to spoil the party. Not that the Big Two any longer implies the presence of a little eight. In the years between 1968 and 1980, when either Michigan or Ohio State went to the Rose Bowl every year, the two powerhouses seldom lost a conference game to anyone but each other. This year, as in the last five, there are several teams capable of winning on a given Saturday. But for the long haul, Michigan and Ohio State appear clearly a cut above the rest with the well-balanced Wolverines cast in the favorite's role. It must be remembered, however, that if the championship comes down to the final game as it has so often in the past, that game will be played at Ohio State.

Michigan State can make a race of it if George Perles can repair his two lines. Perles has been taking the slow but steady route in building the Spartans and they appear to be no worse than the No. 3 or 4 team in the conference. From there it is a step down to the next group. Wisconsin backers are enthusiastic over a favorable schedule, which finds both Michigan and Ohio State visiting Madison, and a host of returning players on defense. They forget, however, that the defense wasn't all that good last year. The Badgers also have the conference's weakest passing game and were devastated by the untimely death of coach Dave McClain. Minnesota has a lot of players back from a team that made continuing strides under Lou Holtz last year. Their most grievous loss could be Holtz.

Although losing a ton of talent, Illinois could still be the best of these middle echelon teams once Mike White finds his quarterback. Indiana is close to moving into this group and will if its defense can improve. Purdue, which only a year ago thought it was a contender, can be thankful Northwestern is still in the Big Ten. Otherwise the Boilmakers might well fall into the cellar. As it is, Northwestern seems further away than ever from competing after the sudden defection of coach Dennis Green. The Wildcats did not know until early June who would lead them in '86, but the direction in which they were heading seemed obvious.

At Notre Dame, Gerry Faust finally dropped the other shoe on his own head before someone could do it for him. The embattled Faust was replaced by Lou Holtz, who again declared himself no magician. Unless he pulls some

offense out of his hat, the Irish will not improve much on Faust's dismal 5-6 final campaign.

Cincinnati is hoping for a .500 season against a typically representative schedule. Northern Illinois will compete as an independent for the first time in 12 years and has added Miami of Florida to a tough road schedule.

Conferences the size of the Ohio Valley, which operates in Ohio, Kentucky, and Tennessee amid the larger Big Ten and SEC, struggle mightily for attention. Especially the OVC, where hard-driving commissioner Jim Delany has scheduled basketball games at 11:30 P.M. in order to have them carried live on television. The conference also has paid stations to carry its games.

But with the arrival of former Notre Dame coach Gerry Faust at Akron, the OVC has a publicity tool that will spread far beyond the Midwest. Faust's fate with the Zips promises to bring widespread media attention to the conference, which has offered quality football since its schools went to the Division I-AA level. Eastern Kentucky has won two national championships and finished second twice since 1979, but the Colonels no longer hold a

predictions

big ten conference

1. Michigan, 2. Ohio State, 3. Michigan State, 4. Iowa, 5. Minnesota, 6. Illinois, 7. Wisconsin, 8. Indiana, 9. Purdue, 10. Northwestern

independents

1. Notre Dame, 2. Cincinnati, 3. Northern Illinois, 4. Dayton

ohio valley conference

1. Middle Tennessee, 2. Eastern Kentucky, 3. Akron, 4. Murray State, 5. Austin Peay, 6. Youngstown State, 7. Tennessee Tech, 8. Morehead State

mid-american conference

1. Miami, 2. Bowling Green, 3. Central Michigan, 4. Western Michigan, 5. Ball State, 6. Toledo, 7. Eastern Michigan, 8. Ohio University, 9. Kent State

1986 all-midwest team

offense

Quarterback . . . Jim Harbaugh . . . SR . . . Michigan
Running back . . . Lorenzo White . . . JR . . . Michigan State
Running back . . . Larry Emery . . . SR . . . Wisconsin
Wide receiver . . . Cris Carter . . . JR . . . Ohio State
Wide receiver . . . Tim Brown . . . JR . . . Notre Dame
Tight end . . . Mike Flagg . . . SR . . . Iowa
Line . . . Dave Croston . . . SR . . . Iowa
Line . . . John Elliott . . . JR . . . Michigan
Line . . . Bob Maggs . . . SR . . . Ohio State
Line . . . Ray Hitchcock . . . SR . . . Minnesota
Line . . . Bob Riley . . . SR . . . Indiana
Place-kicker . . . Rob Houghtlin . . . SR . . . Iowa

defense

Line . . . Jeff Drost . . . SR . . . Iowa
Line . . . Mark Messner . . . JR . . . Michigan
Line . . . Scott Davis . . . JR . . . Illinois
Line . . . Wally Kleine . . . SR . . . Notre Dame
Linebacker . . . Chris Spielman . . . JR . . . Ohio State
Linebacker . . . Eric Kumerow . . . JR . . . Ohio State
Linebacker . . . George Davis . . . SR . . . Iowa
Linebacker . . . Shane Bullock . . . SR . . . Michigan State
Back . . . Rod Woodson . . . SR . . . Purdue
Back . . . Leonard Bell . . . SR . . . Indiana
Back . . . Garland Rivers . . . SR . . . Michigan
Back . . . Terry White . . . JR . . . Ohio State
Punter . . . Greg Montgomery . . . JR . . . Michigan State



JIM HARBAUGH
Michigan



LORENZO WHITE
Michigan State



JAMIE MORRIS
Michigan

stranglehold on the conference. Akron, once the odd kid on the block, may be ready for a title, while Murray State and Middle Tennessee have consistently contended for the playoffs.

Variety continues to be the spice of life in the Mid-American Conference, where the defending champion always seems to be in the catbird seat. Winning consecutive football titles in the Mid-American has been a no-no since Central Michigan did it in 1979-80, which put the onus on Bowling Green this season. The Falcons, although experienced, will face a rough road if they are to repeat their 11-1 record of 1985. New Bowling Green coach Howard "Moe" Ankney will be trying to break up the parity that has enveloped the conference over the past nine years. During that span six schools have won football championships. Miami won in 1977, Ball State in '78, Toledo in '81 and again in '84, Bowling Green in '82 and '85, and Northern Illinois in 1983.

big ten conference

MICHIGAN

(10-1-1, 6-1-1) Reports of Michigan's impending demise were greatly exaggerated in the 1985 preseason as Wolverine coach Bo Schembechler demonstrated there's life in the old Bo yet. Schembechler rebounded from the worst season in his career to guide Michigan to a No. 2 national ranking. No one is about to underrate Michigan this time around. Even though there have been some key losses on the defense that led the Big Ten in every category and the nation in fewest points allowed, the Wolverines could be even better than a year ago.

The emphasis will not be quite so much on the defense this year, and if Michigan gives up a few more yards and a few more points it probably won't matter. Because this might be Schembechler's best offensive team ever. Start with the quarterback Michigan feels is the most underrated in the country. Jim Harbaugh (145-227-6, 1,976 yards, 18 TDs) led the nation in passing efficiency last year and set school records for yards, completions, and touchdowns. He's out from the shadow of such stellar throwers as Chuck Long, Jim Everett, and Jack Trudeau and could finally get some recognition of his own. The statistic that pleases Schembechler most about Harbaugh is that the Wolverines have lost only two games in which the 6-3 senior has started and in one of those Harbaugh was injured and missed the second half. He is also extremely mobile and a nimble option runner.

Harbaugh has a huge split end target in 6-7 former basketballer Paul Jokisch (37-681) and at flanker a game-breaker in sophomore John Kolesar, who averaged 28 yards a catch after cracking the lineup at mid-season. The most grievous offensive loss was tight end Eric Katus, who led the team in receptions (38). Jeff Brown, a 6-4, 224-pound sophomore who lettered last year, is the leading candidate but don't be surprised if freshman sensation Trey Walker (6-5, 218) wins the job before the season is very far along.

Schembechler is deep in good running backs, "no bones about that," he says. "Jamie Morris (197-1030-3) is a vastly improved back. Gerald White (133-578-7) is one of the best we've had here. And that [Tom] Wilcher (71-361-2) is something." White is the starting fullback but switches to tailback when short-

yardage specialist Bob Perryman is in the game. Wilcher is the NCAA indoor high hurdles champion.

The offensive line is missing all-Big Ten tackle Clay Miller, but there is an abundance of talent remaining. John Vitale (6-1, 289) has been moved from guard to center. Other sure starters are tackle John Elliott (6-7, 306) and guard Mike Husar (6-3, 289). Mark Hammerstein (6-4, 285) missed spring drills but will start at guard or tackle when he returns.

Defensively, the linebacking corps was decimated with only Andy Moeller (6-0, 222), the son of defensive coordinator Gary Moeller, returning. Veteran backup Dieter Heren could get his shot, but Andree McIntyre, J.J. Grant, Todd Schulte, and Steve Thibart also figure. Even though the inspirational Mike Hammerstein has graduated, the defensive line looks solid with tackle Mark Messner (6-3, 245) and middle guard Billy Harris (6-0, 257) returning. The secondary is missing All-America Brad Cochran but returns such standouts as cornerback Garland Rivers and safeties Ivan Hicks, Tony Gant, and Doug Mallory. In addition, Erik Campbell has been switched back from wide receiver and sophomore David Arnold had an outstanding spring.

The kicking game is solid with punter Monte Robbins and place-kickers Mike Gillette and Pat Moons all returning.

OHIO STATE

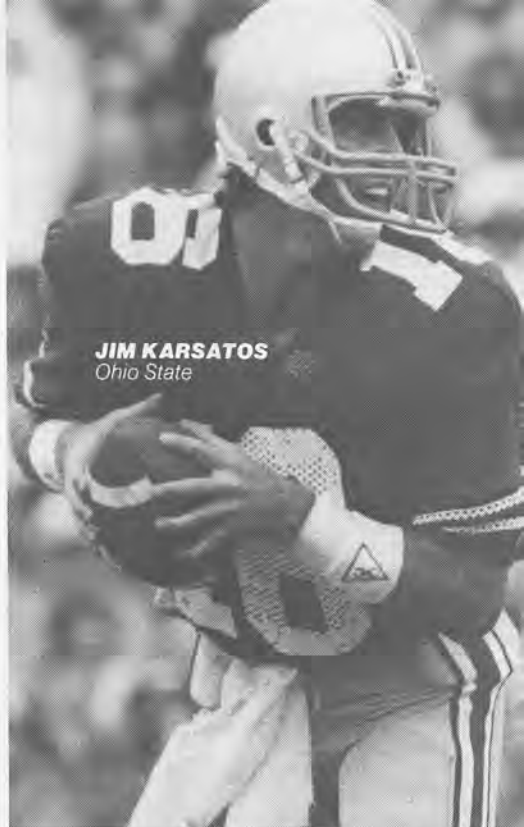
(9-3, 5-3) For most Americans Labor Day is a day of rest. Buckeye coach Earle Bruce wishes it had been for his football team, too. It was while cutting on a routine play in a practice drill last Labor Day that Keith Byars broke his right foot and was virtually lost for the season. Without Byars, who had led the nation in rushing, scoring, and all-purpose running the year before, Ohio State was still a good football team. With him it might have been a great one.

Bruce returns the heart of the offense that helped the Buckeyes win nine games for the 14th time in the last 15 years. They have never won fewer than nine in Bruce's seven years at the helm. Playing a 12-game schedule this year, beginning with the Kickoff Classic against Alabama August 27, the Buckeyes figure to keep Bruce's string alive.

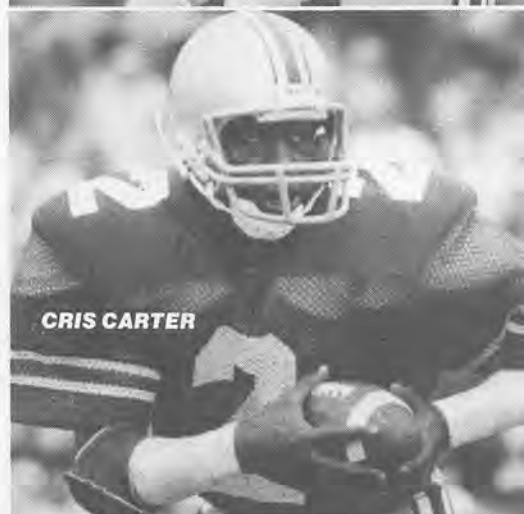
The biggest task will be to patch up the offensive line, which lost tackle Rory Graves and guard Jim Gilmore. But Bruce had even more extensive work to do on the offensive line a year ago and as a result has a bit more experience to work with. He starts with center Bob Maggs (6-5, 286), an All-America candidate. Bruce had planned to switch Maggs to tackle and guard Jeff Uhlenhake (6-4, 246) to center. But a spinal disc operation that kept Maggs out of spring ball scotched that idea. Although only a sophomore, Uhlenhake has all-Big Ten potential. Larry Kotterman (6-7, 282) returns at tackle, leaving two line spots open. A pair of incoming freshmen, John Peterson (6-4, 270) and Jeff Davidson (6-6, 270), rated the two top prep linemen in Ohio, could see considerable action.

The Buckeyes survived without Byars last year and will do so again. Tailbacks John Wooldridge (174-820) and Vince Workman (68-321) were rated almost even going into the fall and both will get plenty of work. Fullback George Cooper (129-581), who also missed spring practice, is expected back.

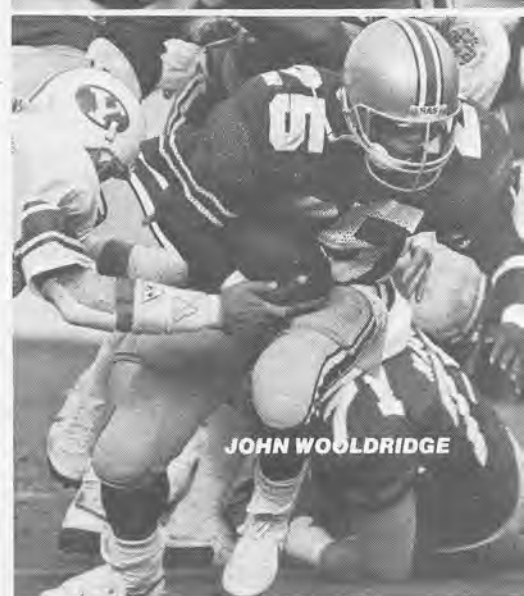
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Buckeye Quarterback Ties Touchdown Record Elements Fail To Hamper Karsatos

By Jim Wharton

The wind whipping off Lake Michigan was cold. The rain was heavy. The lightning was loud. The thunder was deaf.

But Jim Karsatos did not let the elements bother him when Ohio State went up against Northwestern on Nov. 9.

KARSATOS SIMPLY went about his business in his usual methodical way, putting his name in the OSU record book in the process.

The 6-3, 214-pound junior out of Sunny Hills High School in Fullerton, Calif., threw for 275 yards and three touchdowns as the Buckeyes, ranked third in fourth-down success, placed sixth and caught with the Wildcats.

A 35.17 was all in a day's work for Karsatos. The three TD passes gave Karsatos 17 for the season, tying an OSU single-season record set by Art Schlichter in 1961.

CONDITIONS WERE less than ideal for Karsatos, who accomplished many things before being lifted for reliever Tom Tye in the third quarter.

As long as they kept the ball dry, we didn't have any trouble," said Karsatos, who had personal best with his 275 air yards. "Once the ball gets wet, it's kind of tough."

But, wet ball, loud thunder and bright bolts of lightning failed to deter Karsatos from his mission.

AND KARSATOS, a communications major, seemed no time in making sure the Buckeyes would control on his last play after he moved to 41 on the year (in OSU's first possession, he moved the team and the run with equal success in guiding his team to a second and four at the Northwestern 14).

Touchdown pass number one: Karsatos found wide receiver Crai Carter going toward the goal and connected on a 14-yard scoring toss.

Ohio State's next possession was quick and to the point — a pass, that is. After an interception by William White, Karsatos, wearing his Mike Lane jersey, went long, hitting Mike Lane on what would become a 75-yard TD pass.

"We noticed (in film prior to the game) that they were getting hard lung a lot," said Karsatos of the Wildcats. "So that was our plan."

Just go by them and go long."

The effectiveness of the long pass play was made possible by Ohio State punting at the first nine times in the 13-play drive to open the fourth quarter.

"We ran the same play," said Karsatos of the big one. "All we did was put the pass in front of it. I put it on my hip and Mike ran right by them."

After helping his team to a 21-0 lead by handing off to tailback John Woodbridge for a six-yard TD run early in the second quarter, Karsatos picked up his third scoring pass and put his name on the line next to Schlichter with a three-yard toss to tight end Ed Tackett with 15 seconds left in the first half.

With 17 TD passes and 1,871 passing yards in the year and 1984 career passing yards in less than 100 games, what does Karsatos think about his efforts?

"IT JUST means we pass the ball," said Karsatos, who moved into 10th place in Ohio State's all-time total offense list (2,278 yards). "There's got to be great passing game. There's got to be great passing game."

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after they catch it. I know what kind of receivers I've got. Definitely the best pass catchers in the country. The tight end (Ed Tackett) was running the ball today, which makes three great receivers. I can do it all year. I always will. I'm going to give them the chance to make the catch."

Karsatos has shown vast improvement since the opening game of the year. It's something he's had to do.

"I'm trying to improve every time I go on the field," he said. "I'm trying to be consistent. I want to improve. I think the last couple of weeks have been inconsistent."

He's not as good as he is in the country for one reason," said Tackett of his third year as an assistant to Earl Frazier. "He does what we ask him to. The making of a quarterback is what he can do for his team. Well, Jim Karsatos can do for Ohio State what we need. You can add up yards, adding up completions and touchdowns and all that and people typically have arguments. But as far as what he can do for Ohio State, he's the best in the country."

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SHANE BULLOUGH
Michigan State



DAVE YAREMA

ceiver Cris Carter (58-950-8), the Buckeyes could have one of the better passing attacks in the conference. But they have to replace flanker Mike Lanese (31-552-5) and none of the candidates caught a single pass last year. Ed Taggart (31-327-3) returns at tight end.

Defensively, the Buckeyes will switch to the 3-4 after losing three veteran linebackers, including Pepper Johnson. Linebacking is still a strength, however, with All-America candidate Chris Spielman, an all-out hitter in the Brian Bosworth mold, and outside backer Eric Kumerow returning. Sophomore John Sullivan

was voted the outstanding defensive player in the spring game and could start at the other outside linebacker spot. Starting tackle Fred Ridder (6-2, 244) has been moved to nose guard in the new alignment. Right tackle Darryl Lee (6-3, 258) returns and two experienced backups, Ray Holliman (6-4, 256) and Henry Brown (6-4, 268) will share the other spot.

The defensive backfield is the most experienced in the conference with the four starters back as a unit for the third year in a row. Safety Terry White was second-team all-Big Ten and cornerback William White was honorable mention after picking off six passes.

Punter Tom Tupa averaged 41.8 yards last year after averaging 47.1 as a freshman the year before. The Buckeyes went into the fall without a proven place-kicker.

MICHIGAN STATE

(7-5, 5-3) George Perles has been patiently rebuilding the Spartans brick by brick, but how was he to know that one of his bricks would be a load like Lorenzo White? Any team with a runner like White is a threat any time it takes the field. And Lorenzo the Magnificent is by no means the whole show. The Spartans also have a proven quarterback in Dave Yarema and a big-play receiver in Mark Ingram. If Perles can build up the right side of his offensive line, the Spartans could well have the most dangerous offense in the Big Ten.

But White is the element that elevates the offense beyond the ordinary. As a sophomore last year he finished fourth in the Heisman Trophy voting and there are many who feel he should have finished higher. It wasn't Bo Jackson who was the national rushing champion, it was White, whose 1,908 yards during the regular season put him fourth on the NCAA's all-time single-season list. The three ahead of him, Marcus Allen, Mike Rozier, and Tony Dorsett, all won Heismans for their efforts. White went over the 200-yard mark four times and might easily have set a single game record had not Perles set him down two plays into the third quarter after he had already romped for 286 yards against Indiana. White is not only durable (386 carries) but virtually fumbleproof (four turnovers).

Yarema (66-116-3, 840 yards, 10 TDs) missed five games last year with a dislocated thumb. The Spartans were 6-0 with him, 1-4 without him in the regular season. He had an excellent spring and could be the most underrated quarterback in the conference. He has excellent wide receivers in big-play specialist Ingram (34-745-5) and sophomore Andre Rison (19-280-2). Fullback Bobby Morse also gained more yards catching the ball than he did carrying it from scrimmage.

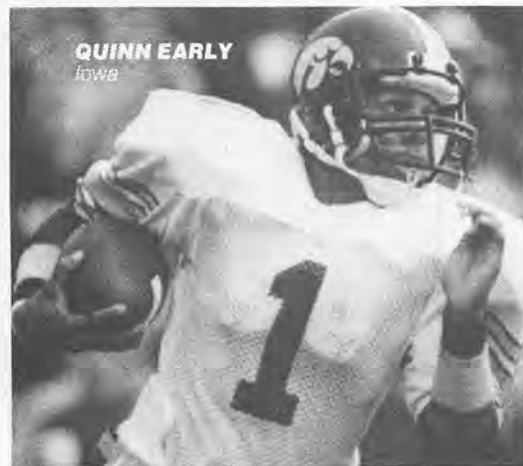
Although the offensive line needs attention, Perles apparently is not too concerned because he shifted starting left tackle Tony Mandaric (6-6, 269) to defense. Backup David Houle (6-5, 233) moves up to replace him. The most critical spot is right guard, where the Spartans lost an all-Big Ten player in John Wojciechowski. Perles thinks Tyrone Rhodes (6-3, 241) can do the job. Another opening is at tight end, where Butch Rolle and Veno Belk shared time. But because Perles often uses two tight ends, Mike Sargent (6-2, 235) saw considerable action and will be the starter.

Although defense is Perles's trademark, that could be his fatal flaw this year. Not that the Spartans will be easy pickings. But they've ranked third in the conference in each of Per-

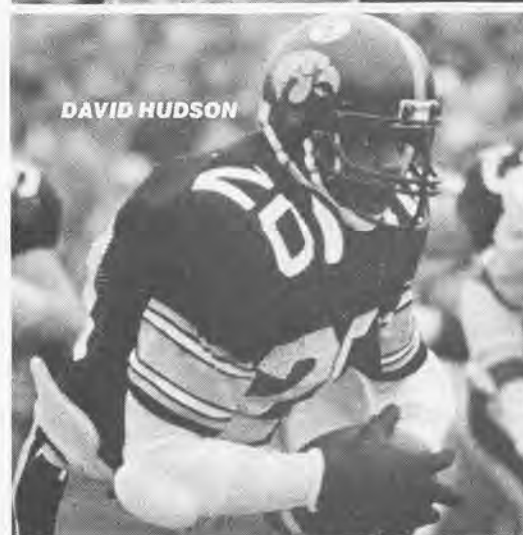
les's three years and they might not be quite up to those standards. The line alone lost five outstanding players, including three veteran starters. Hence the move of Mandaric to left end in the stunt 4-3 alignment. The defense again will be small by current standards. Left tackle Mark Nichols (6-2, 228) is the only returning starter, but right tackle David Wolff (6-3, 244) is a former starter and sophomore right end John Budde (6-4, 227) has good bloodlines. His father is former all-pro Ed Budde.

Middle linebacker Shane Bullough, probably the team's best defensive player, also has ties to the pros. His father, Hank, is head coach of the Buffalo Bills. Tim Moore is another returning starter at outside linebacker. The Spartans lost just one defensive back, but it was All-America safety Phil Parker. Paul Bobbitt will take his place.

As always, the kicking game is sound, with Greg Montgomery returning as the Big Ten



QUINN EARLY
Iowa



DAVID HUDSON

punting champion and Chris Caudell back to do the place-kicking.

IOWA

(10-2, 7-1) Iowa's Hayden Fry harvested a record-setting crop a year ago, and even though much of it has gone off to market, the Hawkeyes' fields are by no means barren. The Big Ten champions lost such dynamic players as quarterback Chuck Long, running back Ronnie Harmon, and linebacker Larry Station, not to mention their two starting wide receivers. But there are still good players in abun-

dance and Iowa can not be discounted as a threat to repeat its championship.

With Long, the first Big Ten quarterback to pass for more than 10,000 yards, gone, the passing attack will be deemphasized but not dismantled. Running the show in place of Long will be long-suffering backup Mark Vlasic, who had to wait until his senior year to get his one shot. Vlasic showed he's ready by completing 18 of 26 passes for 308 yards in Iowa's spring game.

Even though the top three receivers are gone, including the versatile Harmon, who caught 60 balls out of the backfield, the Hawkeyes are blessed with outstanding speed at the flanks. Robert Smith (21-401-7) averaged 19.1 yards per catch last year and is one shy of the school record for touchdown receptions. He is also one of the better punt returners around. Quinn Early (17-287-1) averaged 16.9 yards a catch and will start on the other

America candidate Dave Croston (6-6, 280) at left tackle. Other standouts are center Mark Sindlinger (6-2, 250) and guard Bob Kratch (6-4, 270), who moves to the right side.

Although Station, a three-year All-America, is the most noticeable missing ingredient on defense, the Hawkeyes also have to realign their backfield, where only left corner Ken Sims returns. But there are plenty of experienced backups, including Keaton Smiley, Kerry Burt, Rick Schmidt, and Lloyd Kimber.

Except for nose guard Hap Peterson, the line returns intact, so if football games are really won in the trenches, Iowa should be able to slug it out with anybody. Taking Peterson's spot is likely to be Steve Thomas (6-3, 270), a transfer from Nebraska. The leading returnee on the line is tackle Jeff Drost (6-5, 286), who was all-conference in '85.

The kicking game is set with the return of punter Gary Kostrubala and place-kicker Rob Houghtlin, who had two game-winning field goals last year, including the one that defeated Michigan for the Big Ten title.

Once again, Fry has elected to start the season with three sure wins in non-conference play. But this time the Hawkeyes have to open the conference season at improving Michigan State. They also face Michigan on the road.

MINNESOTA

(7-5, 4-4) The Gophers came a long way in a short time under Lou Holtz and now it's up to first-year head coach John Gutekunst to continue the upward spiral. Since the players lobbied for his appointment, he at least should command their respect.

He could command a pretty good football team if he could find some quality running backs. Minnesota has one of the most experienced offensive lines in the conference, led by center Ray Hitchcock (6-2, 263). Other starters returning are tackles Jim Hobbins (6-6, 260) and Dan Rechten (6-6, 265) and guard Troy Wolkow (6-4, 265).

The dynamo of the offense is undoubtedly quarterback Rickey Foggie, who missed spring practice with stress fractures of the leg. The Gophers' second-leading runner (127-451-9), Foggie completed less than 50 percent of his passes (65-141-4) but threw the long ball and had seven touchdowns.

But with top runner Valdez Baylor and solid fullback David Puk both gone, Gutekunst spent the spring looking for a running back and came up empty. Sophomore Ed Penn was probably the leading candidate.

So the Gophers might have to rely once more on Foggie, whether overland or through the air. The receiving corps is thin, but there is some quality returning in Mel Anderson (22-520-2) and Gary Couch (14-494-1). Tight end Kevin Starks is gone but Tim Juneau, who missed the '85 season, returns.

Three years ago the Minnesota defense could have been declared a national disaster area. Last year the Gophers ranked third in the Big Ten in total defense and pass defense. Virtually that entire unit returns intact, although Gutekunst, who was the defensive coordinator before replacing Holtz, has made one significant move. He switched end Larry Joyner (6-1, 210) to strong safety, where he is expected to start over the incumbent, David Williams. Redshirt freshman Jon Melander (6-7, 245) and sophomore Dennis Ryan (6-3, 230) were vying for left end. The only other defen-

sive change comes at linebacker, where veteran Peter Najarian has graduated.

The Gophers' best defensive player, Bruce Holmes (6-3, 224), will man one linebacker post and Terry Hrycak (6-2, 228), the only other backer with any game experience, the other. Returning starters up front are end Mark Dusbabek (6-3, 232), tackles Anthony Burke (6-3, 250) and Steve Thompson (6-2, 275), and nose guard Doug Mueller (6-3, 232).

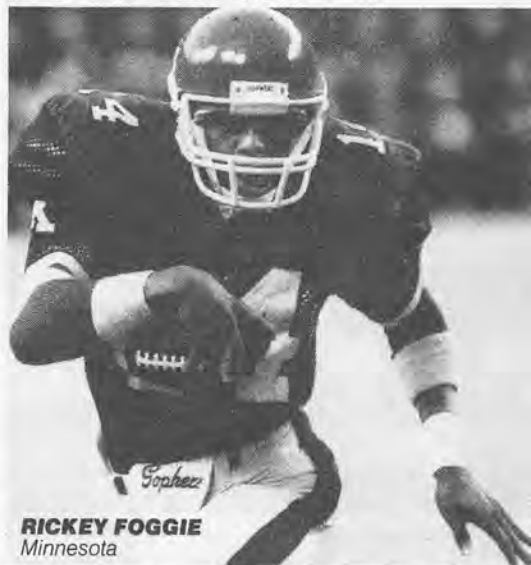
Despite this strong nucleus, Gutekunst is worried about the depth. "We were not as aggressive and hard hitting over the last half of 1985 as we were in the first six games," he said. "That indicates that we need to be bigger and stronger and to find more depth." It also indicates that the Gophers' schedule picked up in degree of difficulty after the first six games. That will be the case once again when, of the first six games, only a September 20 date at Oklahoma appears a loss.

ROBERT SMITH

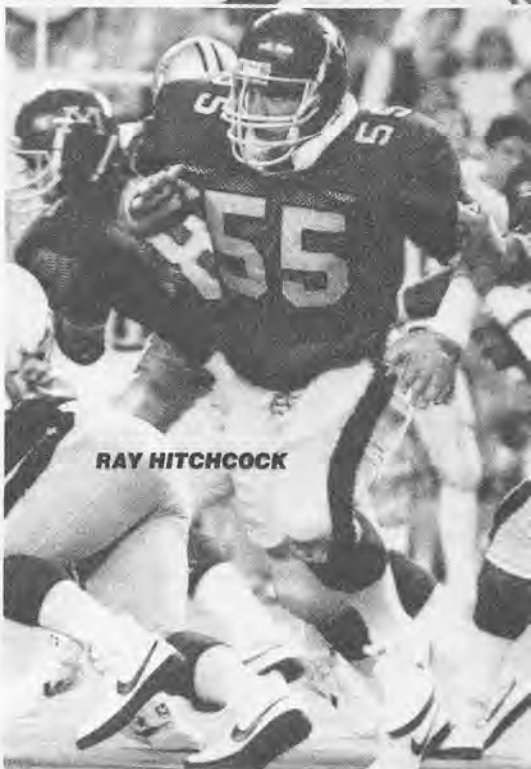
side. A newcomer to watch is redshirt freshman Derrius Lovelace, who caught 10 passes in the spring game. Mike Flagg (28-245-5) at tight end is an all-Big Ten candidate.

Although one Harmon is gone, brother Kevin takes his place. He is the same versatile type of player, but possibly not quite so skilled. With David Hudson (77-362-7) firmly established at fullback, Fry intends to run more often than in the recent past.

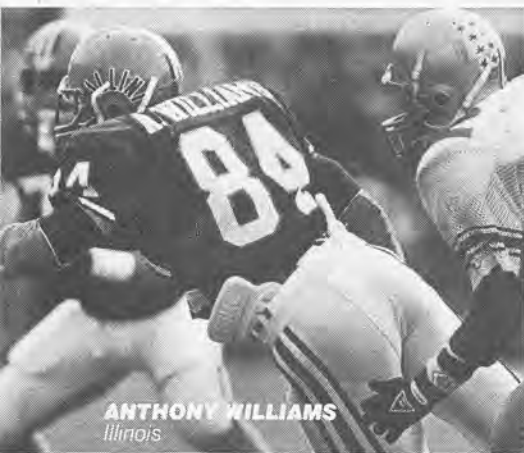
What is likely to make it all go is the offensive line, in a rebuilding stage a year ago but now rock solid. The leader of the group is All-



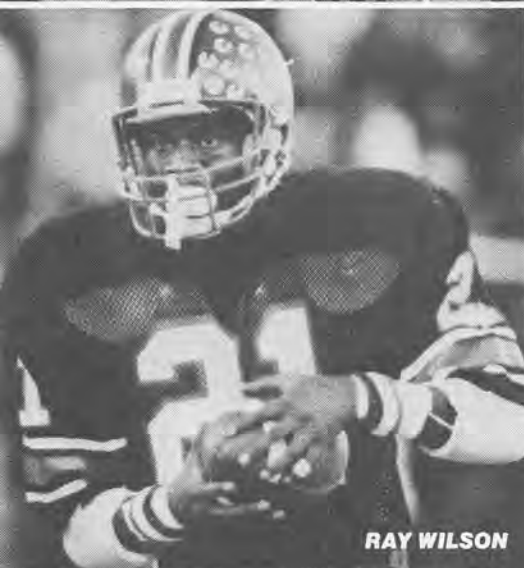
RICKEY FOGGIE
Minnesota



RAY HITCHCOCK



ANTHONY WILLIAMS
Illinois



RAY WILSON

ILLINOIS

(6-5-1, 5-2-1) No team in the Big Ten was hit harder by graduation losses than Illinois. The 17 starters lost included such record-breaking performers as quarterback Jack Trudeau, fullback Thomas Rooks, receiver David Williams, and kicker Chris White. No less than nine players were drafted by the NFL.

But the Illini are still reasonably well-stocked. More has changed than just the names of the players, however. In the wake of a disappointing season when all that talent never seemed to coalesce, White fired his long-time defensive coordinator Max McCartney and totally reorganized his staff.

He had to change his philosophy on multiple substitutions, too. "We're just not deep enough for [that]," he said. It is precisely because he substituted so freely in the past that White should be able to put together an experienced team, especially on defense.

As always, the first order of business was to find a replacement for Trudeau. Great quarterbacks are a Mike White tradition. While White refused to name him the starter, it appears that sophomore Jim Bennett will get the call over senior Shane Lamb. While White might prefer the more malleable Lamb to the headstrong Bennett, he will likely bow to talent and the stability of having a starter with three years' eligibility.

Williams finished his career with 245 catches, No. 2 in NCAA history, but he left behind his little brother Steve, who was the

most valuable player of the spring game. Also returning at wide receiver is the glue-fingered Stephen Pierce (49-614-2). There are two capable tight ends in Jerry Reese and Anthony Williams, so the receiving is in good hands.

Less so is the running-back situation. White will go with a two-back offense and the starters will be sophomore Keith Jones, who White feels can be the equal of Rooks, and Ray Wilson, a veteran bread-and-butter type. Jones, who also returns kickoffs, did show running ability as a freshman but also demonstrated an alarming tendency to drop the ball.

There is enough experience in the offensive line, with Mark Dennis (6-5, 275), Scott Kehoe (6-5, 250), and Mike Scully (6-5, 260) returning, and White plans to start huge Arael Doolittle (6-6, 295) at right tackle. A year ago White restructured his entire offensive line to accommodate the JC transfer, only to see Doolittle go down in the second game.

Defensively, Illinois will abandon McCartney's 4-3 except in certain situations. The Illini will play a lot of 3-4 and on occasion use as many as six defensive backs. The best player is defensive end Scott Davis (6-7, 255), a big-play specialist. Other starters back on the line are Ron Bohm (6-3, 245) and Jim Blondell (6-3, 260). Although all of their starting linebackers graduated, the Illini get back Sam Ellsworth, who led the team in tackles in 1984. White can also field four defensive backs with some starting experience in cornerbacks Lance Harkey and Keith Taylor and safeties Ed White and African Grant. Taylor has missed virtually all of the last two seasons after off-season motor vehicle accidents. When healthy, he is Illinois' best defensive back.

WISCONSIN

(5-6, 2-6) The untimely death of head coach Dave McClain just two days after completing spring practice put the Badgers on hold. The popular McClain, who would have been starting his ninth season, was stricken with a heart attack after working out in Camp Randall Stadium. A disciple of Bo Schembechler and Woody Hayes, McClain was a believer in the running game, and that is the direction the Badgers will take this fall.

Not overly blessed with quality receivers to start with, Wisconsin lost at least one and possibly both of its returning starters. Tim Fullington, who had averaged 19.2 yards a catch (21-403-4) while trying to fill the shoes of All-America Al Toon, transferred to UW-Milwaukee, which does not field a football team. Fred Bobo, who averaged 21 yards a catch (13-273), missed spring practice for unspecified reasons and had been scheduled to discuss his possible return to the team with McClain later in the summer. That decision is now in the hands of new coach Jim Hilles, who had been McClain's top assistant. James Ross and Reginald Thompkins caught 17 balls between them last year.

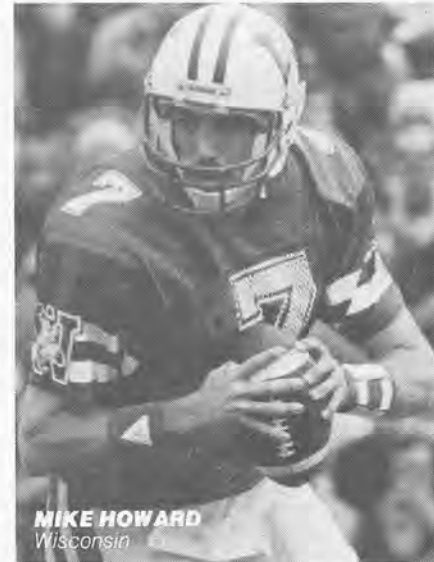
Quarterback was unsettled last year due to injuries to starter Mike Howard (62-110-10-4 TDs, 643 yards) and backup Bud Keyes (60-147-8, 8 TDs, 829 yards), but Howard, a two-year starter, had a good spring. The Badgers lost tight end Scott Sharon through graduation and replacement Brian Anderson caught only one pass last year.

Wisconsin's running game, on the other hand, has seldom been in better hands. Larry Emery came back from knee surgery last year to run for 1,113 yards and eight touchdowns.

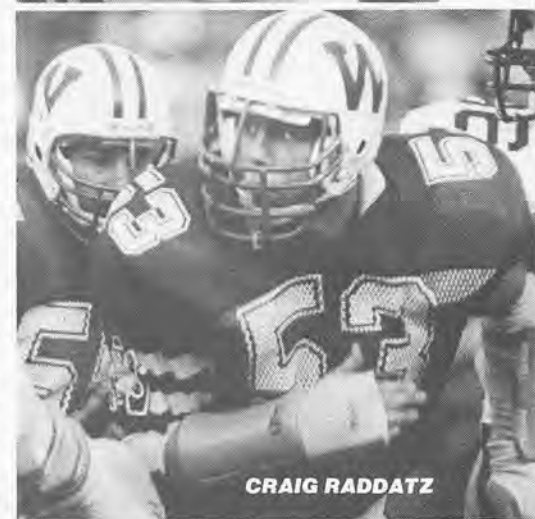
Fullback Joe Armentrout, who once again missed spring practice to concentrate on baseball, added 553 yards and caught 22 passes for 223 more. Both return.

The offensive line, long a staple under McClain, could be good again despite losing the three men in the middle. That's because of book-end tackles Paul Gruber (6-5, 275) and Glenn Derby (6-7, 285), both candidates for postseason honors.

Tackle Lance Branaman decided to spend his final year concentrating on his studies, but there are nine starters returning on defense. The linebacking is especially strong with Tim Jordan and Rick Graf (nicknamed Thunder and Lightning) outside and Craig Raddatz and Michael Reid inside. All four have lettered three years in a row and, for the most part,



MIKE HOWARD
Wisconsin



CRAIG RADDATZ

started the last two. Nose guard Michael Boykins (6-0, 248) is another veteran starter and tackles Jim Kmet (6-3, 253) and Dick Teets (6-4, 263) have starting experience. Seven of the top eight players return in the secondary, with cornerback Nate Odomes the star of the group.

Wisconsin, which opens at Hawaii, could be 4-0 before the Big Ten opener. The opponent, Michigan, is daunting, but the game is in Camp Randall Stadium, as is the late November encounter with Ohio State. The Badgers have beaten the Buckeyes in four of the last five years.

INDIANA

(4-7, 1-7) The Hoosiers are like a sleek new Indy car with an untuned engine, but if Bill Mallory finds a quarterback to replace Steve Bradley, Indiana could be off to the races.

Bradley and running back Bobby Howard are the only starters missing from the Hoosier offense, but that's like saying Diana Ross is the only one missing from the Supremes. Bradley was the Hoosiers' all-time passing yardage and total-offense leader and Howard racked up more yardage (967) last year than the team had totaled in the previous year.

But why dwell on the negatives? The entire offensive line that enabled the Hoosiers to more than double their running output returns, led by tackle Bob Riley (6-6, 265), a second-team all-Big Ten selection in '85. And the pro-

tection could be even stronger because Carlos Marte (6-3, 223), a superior blocker, improved his pass-catching ability so dramatically that he displaced three-year starter Dave Lilja at tight end.

And replacing Howard may not be as difficult as it sounds. The Hoosiers have brought in one of their most dynamic freshman recruits in years in Anthony Thompson of Terre Haute North, who averaged 7.4 yards a carry in his senior year with 17 touchdowns. Meanwhile, junior-college transfer Damon Sweazy (109-421-6), a bit of a disappointment in his first year, is listed as first-string tailback with junior Spud Washington also in contention. Tom Polce (67-337), who never took a backward step last year, returns at fullback.

The quarterback going into the fall is Dave Kramme (41-69-4, 2 TDs), who started one game when Bradley was injured. But Brian Dewitz, who was listed ahead of Kramme last year until he had knee surgery, could be back to contend in the fall. Whoever throws the ball for Indiana should have no trouble finding open receivers. The top three wideouts, Kenny Allen (55-929), Stacy Dawsey (17-284), and Ernie Jones (16-205), all return and Mallory is sure to find good use for Lilja (43-540).

The offense may have to be more than good to cover up the Indiana defense, which was last in the conference a year ago. The Hoosiers' main problem was against the run. There is some experience returning at linebacker, and in addition Mallory has moved tackle Tom Weidenbenner (6-4, 239) to outside linebacker. That moves sophomore Darren Bush (6-1, 227) inside, where he will start. Senior nose guard Vince Fisher (6-2, 282), was scheduled to move to tackle in this game of musical Hoosiers, but he missed spring drills and will make the switch in the fall.

The Hoosiers are probably the best equipped defensively in the backfield, where they are led by veteran strong safety Leonard Bell. There are four other defensive backs with starting experience returning, but one of the first-string cornerback spots goes to JC transfer Eric Hickerson, who not only has 4.5 speed, but at 6-2, 218 is one of the biggest corners in the country.

PURDUE

(5-6, 3-5) Boilermaker coach Leon Burtnett may be required to join the carpenter's union, such is the magnitude of his rebuilding job. Purdue lost nine starters on offense, including all its skill-position performers.

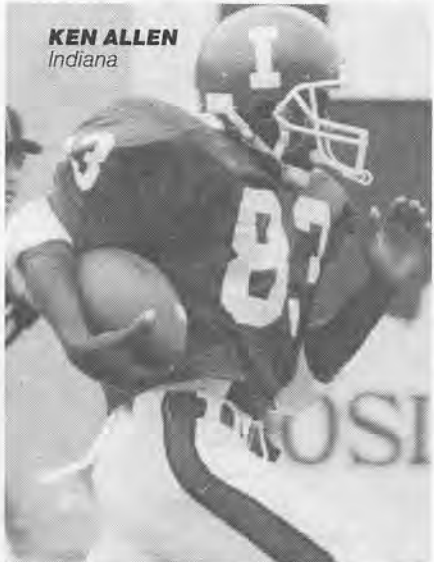
Key among those was record-setting quarterback Jim Everett, who threw for 3,651 yards. In the spring, junior Doug Downing emerged as the top quarterback. That was partly because his only competition, junior Jeff Huber, was injured for part of the workouts. Between them the pair have completed only 9 of 29 passes over the last two years. Yet Downing may be only a caretaker until freshman standout Jeff George gets his bearings. George was the most highly touted prep quarterback in several years and was considered the top recruit in the country. The 6-3, 193-pound pass master from Indianapolis threw for 45 touchdowns in his senior year. In three years as a starter at Indianapolis Warren Central, he threw for 8,126 yards.

But assuming George can throw the ball, who will catch it? Gone are both starting wide receivers, plus running back Rodney Carter, who led the nation with his 98 catches out of

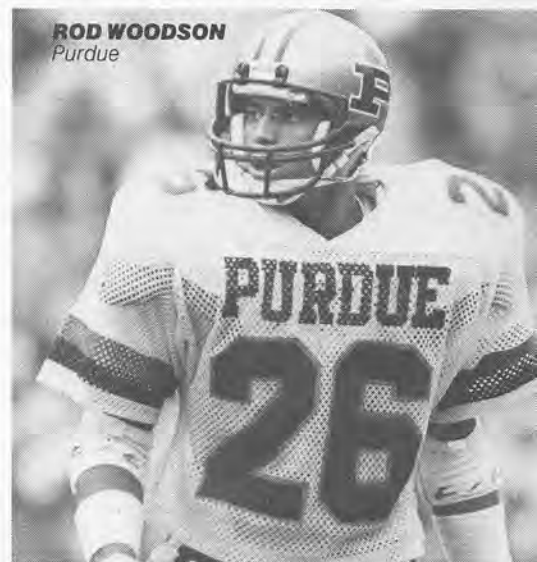
the backfield. Burtnett is hoping that Rick Brunner, an outstanding possession-type receiver who tore knee ligaments in last year's opener, will be back. But he was not ready in the spring and is still a question mark. Burtnett likes to alternate three wide receivers and based on spring showings, juco transfer Antoine Davis, redshirt freshman Calvin Williams, and sophomore Jonathan Hayes have the inside track. Hayes caught 16 passes for 226 yards as a backup last year.

Not only Carter, but Ray Wallace, the rushing leader with 522 yards, must be replaced in the backfield. Although Burtnett will not alter his system, he intends to change the emphasis to more running. James Medlock (68-259-7), the second-leading rusher last year, will be one starter. Tony Grant, slowed by injuries in

midwest



KEN ALLEN
Indiana



ROD WOODSON
Purdue



VINCE FISHER

'85, looks like the other. The offensive line will be rebuilt around the only two returning starters, Todd Tyrie (6-2, 271), who will be switched from guard to center, and tackle Mike Conners (6-4, 265).

Since the defense needs less shoring up than the offense, Burtnett has shifted two of his top defensive line candidates, DeWayne Penn (6-1, 283) and Anthony Rose (6-0, 288), to the offensive line. But the defensive line, too, must be completely rebuilt and freshman Bill Hitchcock (6-6, 265) appears to have won a starting job. Nose guard Kevin Holley (6-3, 257) is expected back from an injury by fall. The strength is in the linebacking, where Tony Visco on the outside and Fred Strickland inside are all-Big Ten candidates. Inside backer Kevin Sumlin is also solid.

The Boilermakers' best player is Rod Woodson, an All-America candidate who moves to cornerback after three years at free safety. The secondary has had problems the last two years in the pass-happy Big Ten and freshman Desmond Moreland, an original USC signee, has moved ahead of three-year starter Chris Dishman at the other corner.

NORTHWESTERN

(3-8, 1-7) There is no truth to the rumor that a sign over the office door of Northwestern's head coach reads: Abandon hope, ye who enter here. But if Dennis Green did not abandon hope after five years of his almost hopeless task, he did abandon ship. Less than a week before the opening of spring practice,



STEVE BEUERLEIN
Notre Dame

Green returned to the San Francisco 49ers as an assistant, leaving the rudderless Wildcats to sink or swim on their own.

Assistant Francis Peay grabbed the controls and guided the team through spring drills. But it wasn't until the first week in June that he was finally given the head coaching job. Already he had made one thing clear: You'd have to get out of bed awfully early in the morning to get the drop on him. Peay left 4:30 wakeup calls and worked his troops from 6 to 8 every morning in the spring.

If anyone was awake enough to notice, the Wildcats did have some talent among the 15 starters returning. With junior Mike Greenfield (199-335-12, 2,152 yards, 5 TDs) already a veteran in his third year as a starter, Northwestern at least is well-armed for its task. And there is one talented receiver, Curtis Duncan (31-498-3), returning. Unfortunately, Duncan's three touchdown catches represented half of the team's total. The other returning wideout, Marc Baumgarner, has been shifted back to tight end, where he will split time with returning starter Rich Borresen.

Although leading rusher Stanley Davenport (149-598-5) returns, he was running behind Brian Nuffer, who carried the ball sparingly last fall but was the team's leading receiver (40-328). Peay moved tight end Bob Driscoll (6-4, 235) to fullback to put some smack in the attack. The line loses its anchor, Daryl Newell, and starting right guard Steve Hofmann (6-4, 265) has been shifted to left tackle to take his place. Other returning veterans on the line are Matt Burbach (6-5, 280) at center, Tom Nicklas (6-5, 270) at right guard, and Michael Baum (6-5, 260) at right tackle.

The good news on defense is that the entire backfield returns. The bad news is that the

Wildcats were last in the league in pass defense, so maybe that's not such good news after all. Opponents, on the average, earned a first down every time they threw the ball against the Wildcats. Possibly that's why Brett Whitley, who led the team in interceptions, passes broken up, and touchdown saves, with five of each, was not listed in the spring two-deep. Instead, Peay had shifted Todd Krehbiel from cornerback to Whitley's free-safety spot. Rich Myers moved over from line-backer to displace Charles Plant at roverback in the spring and former starters Kyle Palmer and Dirk Adams also were taken down a peg or two in the depth chart.

Both interior linebackers are gone. Co-captain Jim Torkelson suffered a neck injury against Purdue and was advised to give up football. Junior Alan Brown, who replaced him after the injury, will be back and Doug Pennington, a junior-college All-America, replaces Mike Witteck at the other spot. Veteran tackles Bob Dirkes (6-2, 235) and Ted Karras (6-1, 260) anchor the line. Starting linebacker Dave Dixon (6-2, 220) was moved to end to fill one of two open spots in the line.

The early schedule—Duke and Army at home and Princeton on the road—affords the opportunity for early success. But once the Big Ten campaign starts, the new coach may understand why Green left.

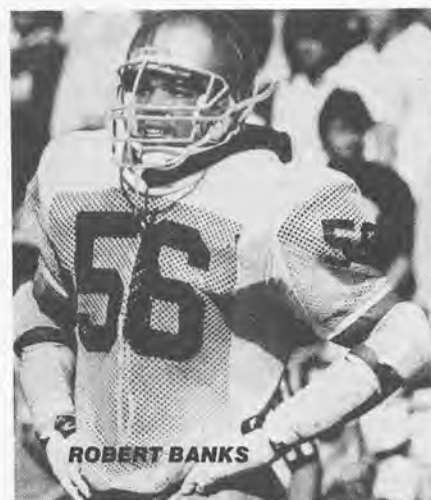
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(5-6) And Lou Holtz thought he was supposed to be the magician! Although he never said it, the new coach of the Irish must have wondered how his predecessor made all that talent he was supposedly stockpiling disappear. Holtz found his offensive cupboard nearly bare when he arrived on campus charged with returning Notre Dame to its former glory. A coach with a proven track record, Holtz undoubtedly will get the job done. But it won't be Presto! Change-O! Attempting what could be the toughest schedule in the school's history, Holtz will be fortunate to win seven games.

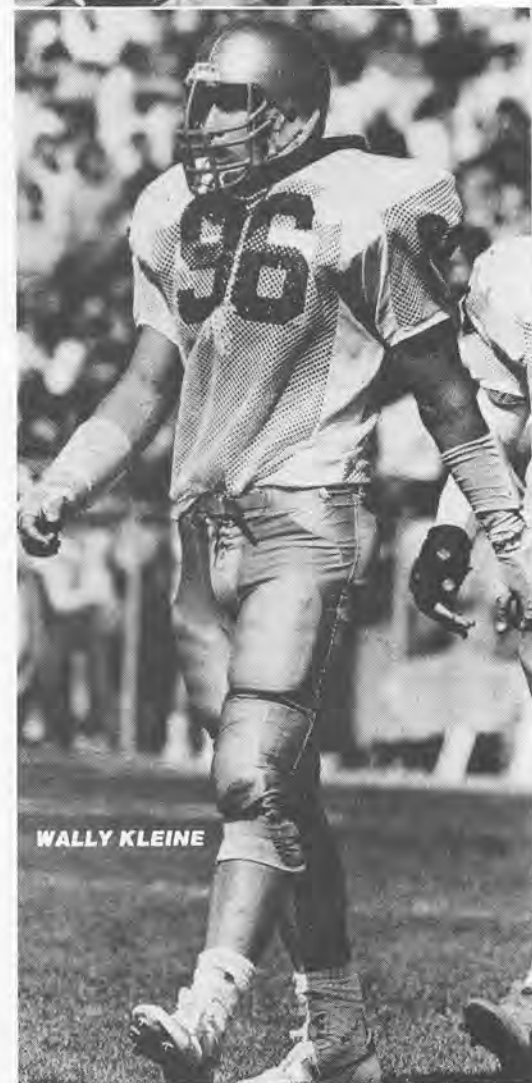
An advocate of option football, Holtz inherited a team that has no one capable of quarterbacking an option attack. His prize recruit, quarterback Tony Rice of Woodruff, S.C., could be the answer, but going into fall practice veteran dropback quarterback Steve Beuerlein was No. 1. "A quarterback can beat you four ways," said Holtz. "With his feet, his arm, his intelligence, and his heart." Then he conceded, "Beuerlein doesn't have the feet."

Unfortunately, neither do any of his running backs. The Irish all-time rusher, Allen Pinkett, has graduated, and his two top backups, Alonzo Jefferson and Hiawatha Francisco, are question marks after missing spring drills following surgery. So his two top tailbacks going into the fall are wide receivers in disguise. Sophomore Mark Green has been switched permanently and will probably start if neither Francisco nor Jefferson recovers. But the idea that really intrigues Holtz is to use last year's leading receiver, Tim Brown, as a running back. Since fullback Frank Stams broke an ankle in the spring and nobody stepped forward to replace him, the Irish running attack appears to be in trouble.

The fact that the only returning starter on the offensive line is strong guard Shawn Heffern (6-5, 266) doesn't help. Tight end Tom Rehder (6-7, 243) was moved to tackle as the first step in correcting the situation. The bright spot on



ROBERT BANKS



WALLY KLEINE

the offense is a splendid receiving corps. Holtz would not even dream of using Brown, an All-America talent, at tailback if he didn't have Reggie Ward, Alvin Miller, and Milt Jackson available. Jackson returned after missing the 1985 season because of illness.

There are fewer problems on defense. Three starters return in the backfield: Steve Lawrence, Troy Wilson, and Mike Haywood. To replace strong safety Pat Ballage, Holtz has an experienced backup in Brandy Wells.

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But sophomore George Streeter was named the outstanding defensive player of the spring game, adding to the depth in the secondary.

Linebacking has long been an Irish strength-in-depth and although it is a little thinner this year, Holtz thought he had enough quality at the position to move starter Robert Banks (6-5, 234) to nose tackle. That should help prop up a line that lost two starters. The return of tackle Wally Kleine (6-9, 274) after knee surgery also helps. The linebacking mainstays are Cedric Figaro (6-3, 235) on the outside and Mike Kovaleski (6-9, 218) inside.

One thing Holtz doesn't have to worry about is his kicking game. John Carney has already booted 30 field goals (in 41 attempts) for the Irish and Brown is an outstanding kick returner. Punter Dan Sorensen (40.2) is also back.

Now if Holtz only knew what kind of offense he was going to run. He was being coy about his plans, but given the quality of his receivers and his lack of proven runners, the best guess is that the Irish will be throwing more this fall.

CINCINNATI

(5-6) The Bearcats return 17 starters from a team that surprised Virginia Tech and Boston College in coach Dave Currey's second season. And the schedule is a little easier this year, even if Cincinnati does have to play Miami at home and Penn State and Auburn on the road. So a .500 season is a possibility.

On offense, the Bearcats have all their skilled people back. Their sparkplug is little (5-7, 170) running back Reggie Taylor, who racked up his second straight 1,000-yard season and should set a school career record in the opener at Virginia Tech. He needs only 81 yards to break Allen Harvin's mark of 2,998. The durable Taylor, who carried 264 times last year, already holds the record for total carries, but he should get some relief this time around. Fullback Robert Williams (63-282) has a year under his belt after converting from tight end and is expected to carry more often this year. In addition, sophomore Al McKinney can spell Taylor occasionally.

Quarterback Danny McCoin didn't pass often last year, but when he did he ranked No. 13 in the nation in efficiency. He was intercepted only five times while completing 115 of 201 for 1,576 yards and 12 touchdowns. All of his receivers are back, including split end Joe Hice (27-358-1) and flankers Jason Stargel (20-435-3) and Roosevelt Mukes (22-281-2). The interior of the line is a concern.

The Bearcats appear a little soft in the middle defensively, too, where they are searching for two interior linemen and a middle linebacker. Outside they have book-end linebackers Alex Gordon (6-5, 235) and Toney Catchings (6-3, 225) and a pair of capable defensive ends. The heart of the defense, though, is an all-veteran secondary led by cornerback John Sawyer and safety Richard Rhodes, the team's leading tackler.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS

(4-7) After 11 years in the Mid-American Conference, the Huskies have decided to go it alone again. Alas, they also will have to go it without four of their best defensive players, including all-time sack leader Scott Kellar. Even with Kellar, one of the top linemen in the country, the Huskies yielded 259 points last year. But the inexperienced offense had to share some of the blame for that.

Coach Jerry Pettibone, in his second year, hopes his offense will control the ball more

now that he has added the wishbone to his basic veer option. The Huskies will use both formations this fall. Running it will be sophomore quarterback Marshall Taylor, who was MAC freshman of the year in the Huskies' final season in the conference. Taylor led the team in rushing (184-438-6) and also passed for 1,162 yards (94-186-10, 4 TDs). In fact, the Huskies' offense seems Taylor-made. Converted quarterback Darryl Taylor will be the starting split end and sophomore Rodney Taylor (47-176-1) one of the starting backs.

Northern will benefit from the arrival of Tim Peshek, a transfer from Air Force, who knows the wishbone and will start at fullback. The good news for the Huskies on offense is the fact that the entire interior line returns, including guard Todd Peat (6-3, 285), an honorable mention All-America the last two years.

Although six starters are gone on defense, returning is senior nose guard Doug Bartlett (6-3, 237), an all-MAC first-team selection. A four-year starter, Bartlett had 14 tackles for loss in 1985 and needs 12 this fall to break Kellar's school record of 47. Defensive end Vernon Sims (6-3, 225) is another quality player and Darren Bowman (6-3, 230) transferred from Drake when the school dropped football.

DAYTON

(7-3) If the Flyers can shore up their defense a bit, they can soar right back into the Division III playoff picture. Nine starters return on offense and "that's unusual for us," says coach Mike Kelley. "We're usually a senior-dominated team." Among the returnees is fullback Tim Norbut, a short-yardage specialist who broke the school's single-season touchdown record last year with 19. Fifth-year senior tackle Gerry Meyer, the biggest player on the team (6-7½, 255), is an academic All-America.

The Flyers used a unique two-quarterback system last year, with Todd Morris and Kevin Wilhelm alternating by quarters. "I never thought I'd do that," said Kelley. "But they were identical. It didn't matter what the score was or whether one was having a good game. At the end of the quarter, if one had a drive going he'd finish the drive and then the other would come in." This year, however, Kelley is hoping one of the two will establish himself.

Defensively, six starters return, but the most difficult task will be replacing linebacker Dan Jurkowitz. The outstanding player on the unit is free safety Doug Zimmer, whose next interception will set a school record of 16.

ohio valley conference

MIDDLE TENNESSEE

The only blemish on Middle Tennessee's record was a loss to eventual champion Georgia Southern in the I-AA playoffs, and the Blue Raiders had beaten Georgia Southern during an 11-0 regular season. Otherwise, Middle won its first OVC championship in 20 years and had its second straight 11-win season and playoff appearance.

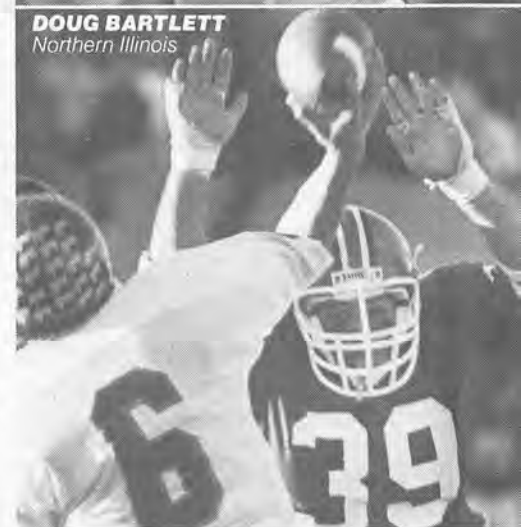
This year could be more of the same, especially with an offense built around Marvin Collier. As a freshman, Collier completed 59 percent of his passes and also rushed for 594 yards. He is among nine starters from a unit that averaged 33 points a game. Also returning is tailback Gerald Anderson, who rushed for 1,062 yards and 23 scores despite sharing playing time with Dwight Stone (679 yards, 13



DANNY MCCOIN
Cincinnati



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Central Michigan

TDs). Fullback Tony Burse is back, as are linemen Cecil Andrews, Larry Pickett, and Doug Rintemeyer.

Coach Boots Donnelly faces a challenge on defense, where he lost six starters. Returning are linebackers Roosevelt Colvard and Michael Davis, cornerback Dejuan Buford, and tackle Kenny McDaniel.

EASTERN KENTUCKY

Judging from its backs, Eastern Kentucky is preparing to run over people this fall. James Crawford, with 1,287 yards, and Elroy Harris (1,134) became the first teammates in OVC history to rush for more than 1,000 yards in one season. The Colonels also have experienced fullbacks in Vic Parks and David Hensley.

Not only can Eastern run, but it can pass. Mike Whitaker threw for more than 1,000 yards, and the offensive line has John Jackson, Byron Ingram, and Paul Smith returning. Gone, however, are standout tackle Joe Spadafino and 300-pound tackle Keith Bosley.

Eastern's defense was a problem last season, allowing 314 yards a game. But seven starters return, including 1984 OVC defensive player of the year Fred Harvey, a linebacker who missed most of last season with an injury. Others being counted upon heavily are tackle Aaron Jones, nose guard Harrold Torrens, and end John Klingel.

Eastern also has a solid kicking game with Dale Dawson back for his third season as place-kicker and Jeff Johnson returning for his second season as punter.

AKRON

They may be fewer in number, but Akron's fans are not unlike those at Notre Dame. They expect Garry Faust to produce a champion. Faust will not start from scratch. He has a team that went 8-4 last season, finishing second in the conference and winning a I-AA playoff berth. The Zips' new coach has experience at every offensive position, including eight players who started for Jim Dennison last season.

Faust has a quality tailback in Mike Clark, who carried 301 times for 1,299 yards and 12 touchdowns. Fullback Tony Lauro and quarterback Vernon Stewart also were starters, the latter throwing for 1,413 yards and running for 312. Akron's offensive line claims all-OVC center Mike Teifke, guard Ron Pasquale, and tackle Doug Gilbert. Chris Kelley is a standout tight end, and flanker Greg Dennison was the team's second-leading receiver when his father was coach.

Traditionally, Akron plays tough defensively, but the Zips lost three all-conference players in nose guard Wayne Grant and linebackers Jeff Lake and Ed Grimsley. Also gone are tackles Dan Kreighbaum and Steve Rafac. But an experienced secondary still has Brian Moran and Gary Tyler and the linebacking includes Bill Hadden and Greg Thomas.

MURRAY STATE

Despite having eight starters back on offense and seven on defense, coach Frank Beamer had major losses from last season. He lost Kevin Sisk, the school's career total-offense leader (5,310 yards) and its second-best all-time passer (4,917 yards). Sisk completed 55 percent of his throws last season, many to Lee McCormick. And McCormick, the all-time leading Murray receiver with 122 catches and 1,837 yards, is also gone. Beamer expects junior Mike Woznichak to be his quarterback.

Forced into a start as a freshman when Sisk was injured, Woznichak threw for a touchdown and caught a TD pass. Stanley Howard could help replace McCormick. In one game last season he ran three times for 104 yards and two scores, all on reverses, and caught three passes for 75 yards and another score. He offers explosiveness, as does tailback Rodney Payne, who ran for 960 yards in 1985 as a freshman. Center Tim Billa and guard Charlie Wiles are stalwarts.

The defense is led by outside linebacker Tony Woodie, safety Kirk Brunsen, and inside linebackers Wesley Keene and Bruce Arnette.

AUSTIN PEAY

After back-to-back winning seasons in 1983-84, Austin Peay slipped below .500 with a 5-6 record. Coach Emory Hale has regrouped.

The Governors' strength should be in their defense, built around Scott Fox. He had 72 tackles, four recovered fumbles, and three interceptions. He will team with Brian Vaughn at linebacker. Austin Peay lost three-year starters Marlin Chapman and Mike Mignone from its line, but keeps Darrell Bowie and Scott Pope. Cameron Towles and Anthony Shacklett are also expected to help there.

Dale Edwards started the final five games at quarterback but faces challenges from Kevin Burke and Rico Ranson. Mike Lewis is at tailback and Dean Edwards, Dale's brother, is a running back, but the Governors were lacking in offensive punch most of last season. Seven starters are gone from the unit, and Hale also has hired a new offensive coordinator. "We had to make some changes," he said.

YOUNGSTOWN STATE

Jim Tressel is tackling his first head coaching assignment at Youngstown, having been the quarterback and receiver coach at Ohio State. He will succeed the fired Bill Narduzzi.

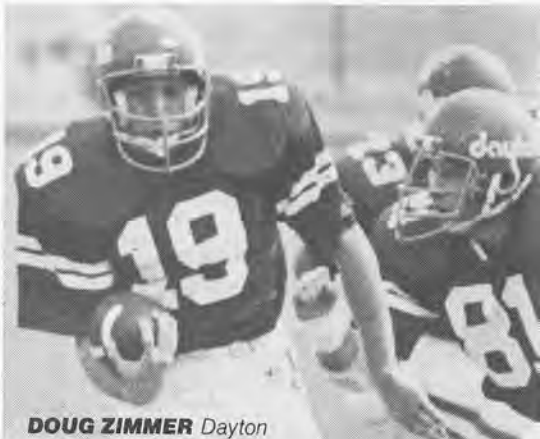
His most immediate problem is to replace Robert L. Thompson, a tailback drafted by the New Orleans Saints in the sixth round. Thompson had modest statistics, scoring eight touchdowns and gaining 492 yards on 126 carries, but the Saints saw potential in him as a wide receiver. Tressel also is experimenting with tight end Rich Bowen as a quarterback. Originally enrolled at Pittsburgh as a quarterback, Bowen was moved to defensive back before transferring to Youngstown. If he plays quarterback, he will have to beat out Trenton Lykes and Bob Courtney, who split time last season. Courtney completed 101 of 203 passes for 1,473 yards but had 18 interceptions. The Penguins threw 24 interceptions and got only 15 of their own.

Youngstown's offensive line will be built around John Navotne, Jim Sydlowski, and John Zelenak, while the defense is led by brothers Vince and Mike Peterson and safety Larry Toles. Rick Sherpas was an all-OVC selection with 61 catches for 959 yards and Elliot Fedd offers experience at tight end.

TENNESSEE TECH

For those who like wide-open football, the Golden Eagles offered little en route to their 1-10 season in 1985. Through 11 games Tennessee Tech barely exceeded 500 yards passing. But in one game the Eagles threw four passes, three of them for touchdowns.

Most of the time, Tech was running its fullback inside the tackles with a wishbone offense. Eddie Hayward, a stumpy 190-pounder, picked up 1,021 yards in that manner, car-



DOUG ZIMMER Dayton



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Middle Tennessee



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Eastern Kentucky



BILLY POE
Northwood State

rying 247 times. His return is good news for new coach Jim Ragland, but with only center Kelly Averitt and tackle Bryan Wall returning to the line, Hayward will need more help.

Ragland, who succeeds Gary Darnell, has abandoned the wishbone and hopes to open up the attack. Hayward should get some support from Lorenza "Chicken" Rivers, who averaged nearly six yards a carry on 67 rushes. Patrick Pope, who ran for 400 yards and passed for 213 last season, has the edge over Brent Fisher, who shared playing time at quarterback in '85. Fisher threw for 323 yards and ran for 215.

Back defensively are linebackers Thomas Squires, Mike Thornton, and Hollis Rutledge, safety Mike Brown, and cornerback Tim Maybin. Defense was the Eagles' problem. They were unable to take advantage of an offense that scored almost 20 points a game.

MOREHEAD STATE

Adrian Breen's first college game has been a hard act to follow, although the current senior quarterback is considered one of the OVC's top passers. But in 1983 Breen completed 31 of 54 passes and also was credited with 25 rushes in his collegiate debut. Naturally, the 79 offensive plays were a school record. As a junior, Breen completed 114 of 323 passes for 1,373 yards, but he also had 13 interceptions as the Eagles stumbled to a 1-10 record.

Prospects for significant improvement are shaky in coach Bill Baldrige's third season. For instance, Morehead has no established running back and needs help in its defensive



GEORGE SWARN
Miami

backfield, where safety Kelvin Bellamy was the team's leading tackler. But there is some strength in the offensive line, where 6-3, 273-pound guard Billy Poe sets up shop alongside center Howard Jacobs, a four-year starter. Tight end Steve Collins, Breen's favorite target, had 46 catches. And the linebacking corps is solid, led by Randy Frazier. Another standout, and vastly overworked last season, was punter Greg Burke, who averaged 43 yards a kick. Both the offense and defense have eight starters returning.

mid-american conference

MIAMI

Over the MAC's first 40 years, the league's showcase team has been the Miami Redskins, and 1986 could logically see the Ohio school win its 13th championship. Ten of its previous 12 have been outright crowns, the others were shared.

Last season, Miami coach Tim Rose improved his club from 4-7 to 8-2-1, including a 7-1-1 conference record. The Redskins were within 90 seconds of winning the MAC, but they lost a 24-14 lead over Bowling Green,

dropping a 28-24 game early in the season. Miami then lost to Oklahoma State the next week, before closing with seven victories and a tie against Western Michigan.

The basic difference in those final eight games was Rose's insertion of Terry Morris at quarterback, and he returns. Morris completed 60 percent of his passes for 1,471 yards and six touchdowns. His leading receiver was 6-0, 205-pound tailback George Swarn, no one-dimensional player. Swarn is the No. 2 career rusher in the country entering this season and his total of 1,511 yards in '85 was fifth nationally. His 4.4 speed helped propel him to a 326-yard effort against Eastern Michigan and his all-purpose yardage average of 177.5 a game ranked fifth nationally.

Miami keeps 18 starters and also has a standout place-kicker in Gary Gussman. Some of the MAC's best defensive players wear Miami's colors, including tackle Andrew Marlatt, linebacker Pete Mather, and backs Sheldon White and Troy White.

BOWLING GREEN

Only a 51-7 pounding by Fresno State in the California Bowl kept the Falcons from a perfect season in 1985. Under former coach Denny Stolz, Bowling Green highlighted its 11 wins with a 30-26 victory at Kentucky.

But there are some key losses, most noticeably quarterback Brian McClure, tailback Bernard White, wide receiver Stan Hunter, and defensive back Melvin Marshall. McClure completed 61 percent of 371 passes for 18 touchdowns, and Hunter had 55 of those catches for 761 yards. White added 33 receptions for 228 yards and also rushed for 949 yards and 18 touchdowns.

No doubt Bowling Green's air attack will be grounded somewhat with five of McClure's top six receivers also departed. But new coach Moe Ankney will keep five starters in the offensive line: tight end Gerald Bayless, tackle Mark Nelson, guards Mike Estep and Dave Bittner, and center Eric Helgesen. All received all-MAC honors.

The defense is anchored by end John Hunter, linebacker Erik Johnson, and back Dean Bryson. In addition, the Falcons have the league's top punter in Greg Johnson and its second-ranked place-kicker in Paul Silvi.

Complicating Bowling Green's bid for successive championships is a rugged early-season schedule. After opening at home against Ohio, the Falcons face consecutive road games at Minnesota, Central Michigan, and Miami.

CENTRAL MICHIGAN

No coach in the Mid-American Conference has a better record than Herb Deromedi, whose eight-year slate in the league shows a 75 percent winning percentage. Last season's 7-3 mark has the markings of further improvement. Deromedi successfully rebuilt the Chippewas in 1985 after he had lost 13 starters from his previous club. With that accomplished, he now has 46 lettermen and can claim eight returning starters on offense and seven on defense.

The defensive unit is spearheaded by tackles Ben Castle and Nick Johnson, linebackers Mike Bruns and Chris Wise, and cornerback Anthony Elliott. The Chippewas were second in the league in total defense but lost Carl Kloosterman, a first-team all-MAC corner.

Central Michigan's balanced offense averaged 171 yards on the ground and 167

through the air, and a key ingredient will be senior guard Rick Poljan (6-3, 245). He follows a long line of outstanding offensive guards at Central and has the experience, having started at tackle two years ago and at guard last season. Other offensive stalwarts will be tackle Brian Williams (6-6, 280) and junior quarterback Marcelle Carruthers.

WESTERN MICHIGAN

Western's 4-6-1 record was deceptive in 1985, and coach Jack Harbaugh is in a position to make a move toward the Mid-American title this trip. The Broncos won four of their last five games after going winless in their first six. But Western played well in three of the early setbacks, especially against Michigan State, when the Spartans rallied in the fourth quarter for a 7-3 victory. Central Michigan also was forced to come from behind in the final period to win, 24-17, and Miami was held to a tie.



RICK POLJAN
Central Michigan

Now claiming nine starters back on offense and six on defense, Western Michigan has the nucleus for causing trouble. Quarterback Chris Conklin returns along with leading rusher Lewis Howard and top receiver Paul Sorce. Senior tackle Sam Culbert bolsters the line.

All-America linebacker John Offerdahl will be irreplaceable, and four other starters have departed on defense, but returning tackle Mark Garalczyk (6-6, 263) has impressed pro scouts. He had 15 tackles behind the line and occasionally was used as a fullback on short-yardage plays. The Broncos also have a talented free safety in Dennis Robinson.

BALL STATE

A vicious early-season schedule probably contributed to the Cardinals' 4-7 record during Paul Schudel's first year as coach. Ball State opened with losses to Bowling Green, Miami, and Purdue, rebounded with three wins, and then gave up an average of 30 points in losing three of its final five.

John Dietrich was a second-team All-America place-kicker and is among 37 returning lettermen, including 10 starters on offense and six on defense. Dietrich made 25 of 29 field-goal attempts in '85 and needs only nine more to break the conference career record of 54. He was 4-for-4 at kicks between 50 and 54 yards. In addition, he reached the end zone with 30 of his 50 kickoffs and none was returned beyond the 26-yard line.

Ball State had another all-MAC selection in senior center Craig Kantner (6-3, 255). Tight end Ron Duncan was on the MAC second-team athletically and was first-team All-America academically. He carries a perfect 4.0 grade average in pre-med.

The Cardinals will be quarterbacked by junior Wade Kosakowski, whose 58 percent ac-

curacy trailed only Bowling Green's Brian McClure and Miami's Terry Morris among conference passers. Other offensive standouts will be running backs Jay Neal and Carlton Campbell and wide receivers Ricky George and Deon Chester. The defense will be held together by ends Avis Hines and Dominique Galloway and safety Todd Clark.

TOLEDO

The Rockets endured a rebuilding season in 1985, dropping from first place into a tie for sixth. But coach Dan Simrell is in position to improve their 4-7 record with eight returning starters on offense and six on defense. Toledo led the conference in total defense and rushing defense and was second to Central Michigan in stopping the pass. But the Rockets were last in total offense.

Simrell will try to build a better offense around tailback Kelvin Farmer, whose 68 yards a game placed him fifth among league rushers. He can run behind a veteran line that features mammoth tackles Ken Moyer (6-6, 270) and John Thomas (6-3, 290). A.J. Sager and Bill Bergan have experience at quarterback and redshirt freshman Steve Keene also is under consideration.

Toledo's defensive line must be rebuilt, but linebacker Tim Inglis had an outstanding season in '85. He averaged 14 tackles a game, third in the league, and will be starting for the third season on a traditionally tough defensive unit. The crew includes four fifth-year seniors in the secondary, led by Harold McGuire and Dexter Clark.

EASTERN MICHIGAN

As coach Jim Harkema's regime enters its fourth year, it's a case of so far, so good. The school that recently lost 47 of 49 games improved a 2-7-2 record in 1984 to 3-6 in '85.

Further progress is likely because the Hurons retain 10 offensive starters and nine on defense. Quarterback Ron Adams, tailback Gary Patton, center Brett Petersmark, and flanker Marcus Mathews provide experience in Eastern's offense. Patton averaged 4.5 yards a carry and Adams completed 55 percent of his passes.

The defense is built around end Eric Miller, linebacker Matt Finlay, and backs Anthony Fields and Mike Skiver. Eastern Michigan was eighth in defense among MAC teams and last in rushing defense. The major void was left by punter Bob Hirschmann, who averaged 41 yards per kick.

Eastern does have the advantage of playing three of its first four and six of its first nine games at home.

OHIO UNIVERSITY

Former Ohio star Cleve Bryant had a rough debut as coach of the Bobcats in 1985. But after losing its first seven games, Ohio rallied for a 2-2 record in November.

Ohio has an outstanding running back in 195-pound Jesse Owens, who earned all-MAC honors with 709 yards rushing. Owens, fighting back from injuries early in his college career, rushed for 196 yards against Kent State. The departure of quarterback Dennis Swearingen will hamper Owens, but he will be

helped by the return of tackles J.D. Bradbury and Jim Kraml.

Ohio's defense, which like the offense retained six starters, will be built around end Miles Brandon, linebackers Doug Mangen and Joe Fincham, and backs Larry Grimes and Shawn Bonner.

KENT STATE

Tragedy of the worst order occurred on April 1 when Kent coach Dick Scesniak died unexpectedly. Former Ohio State assistant Glen Mason then was named as his successor. He will have 35 lettermen as he attempts to improve a 3-8 record, but he had only five starters back on offense and has four holes to fill on defense. None of the returning Golden Flashes earned any measure of all-conference honors.

Nonetheless, Mason will attempt to pick up the pieces with three sophomores in his starting backfield. They are quarterback Steve Poth and running backs Eric Wilkerson and Claude Vera. Poth completed 53 percent of his passes last season and Wilkerson averaged 4.5 yards per carry. Poth will have to find a new favorite receiver, since Jim Kilbane, who also rushed for 806 yards, is gone.

Also departing was defensive tackle Lee Bullington, like Kilbane a first-team all-conference player. This season's defense will be led by outside linebackers Tony Stephens and Tim Viscuso and safeties Stuart Sims and Tony Wells.

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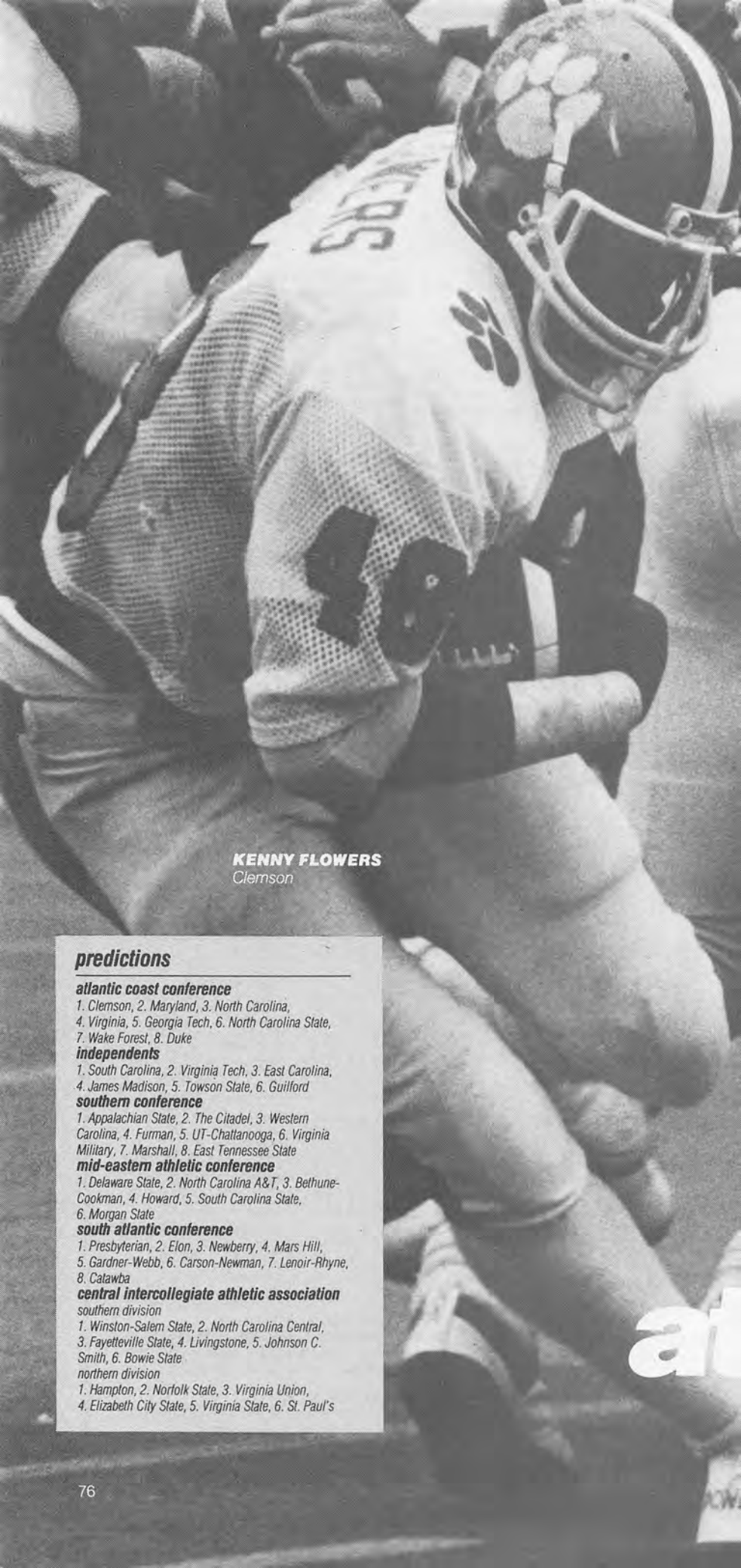
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Two challenges, and strong ones at that, face two of the collegiate conferences in the Atlantic Coast region this season.

The Atlantic Coast Conference, the Division I-A family in the territory, has had representative teams in two or more bowls for 14 consecutive years. The ACC provides several attractive teams for the postseason celebrations, not only with good teams but great fans, who love to travel and spend money. Last December, Maryland, Georgia Tech, and Clemson made postseason trips, and two came home victorious. Can the ACC, maybe with its most balanced campaign ever in '86, present more than a single bowl potential? Clemson is one.

In Division I-AA, an NCAA classification only eight years old, the Southern Conference has been an outstanding contributor in national playoffs. Twice in the past three seasons the Southern has had a team in the I-AA national finals: Western Carolina in 1983, Furman just last season. Can the Southern, long over the doldrums of the past, make it to the national title encounter again? Appalachian State has every reason to believe that is more than a possibility.

Thus, two wonderful college towns should be involved in the football championships aforementioned, and the more than likely postseason travels which will surely follow.

The campus at Clemson University, in the red clay hills of western South Carolina, has experienced football championships before, from the halcyon days of Frank Howard to the more modern moments of youthful Danny Ford. They still talk about the national championship of 1981, and the words are beginning to come out the same, including the drawl, about this 1986 club. As many as 53 lettermen return, the most ever for this quiet little Tiger-town that comes alive on football Saturdays. The mountain leaves may turn to their multitude of brilliant colors, but this is Orange Country, solid.

Ford, over those years of tribulation and trial, has proven he can adjust, even to switching his "chaw" from left to right cheek sometimes. Last fall he felt the offense would be more explosive throwing the ball to the wide men, usually backs. It might have been explosive, but it certainly was not effective. The Tigers started 1-3 and the pass-oriented I playbook was tossed hurriedly into Lake Hartwell. Back to the option-I... and a finishing 5-2 plus a December bowl invitation.

It will be talent and experience, and there's at least one interesting statistic that Ford talks about: turnovers, like lost fumbles and interceptions and blocked kicks and stupid mistakes. In Ford days at Clemson the Tigers are

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36-2-1 when making fewer turnovers than their opponent. "Turnover margin is the most important statistic when it comes to Clemson football over my career here," said Ford. "The two years we have been 6-5 are the only two we have had a negative turnover margin."

The other college town, aiming for the I-AA laurels which have boosted the Southern Conference, is Boone in the high country of North Carolina. There's a beautiful stadium sitting atop a mountain in the Blue Ridge, just off the parkway where the engineering marvel, the Linn Cove Viaduct, opens soon.

Coach Sparky Woods, into his third season with the Apps, works with 17 starters off an 8-3 team that lost two of those games to I-A opponents and the third to the conference champion, Furman. He also talks about turnovers—in a positive tone. The Apps were +12 in interceptions and +16 in fumbles recovered. They also have tailback John Settle, nicknamed the "Fat Man" when he arrived as a freshman four years ago. He's gained more running yards than anybody in school history, and despite 4.5 speed, he's not built like a rocket. Rather, like a finely tuned land vehicle. He had some great games, like 193 yards against South Carolina in September, then 239 against Western Carolina in November.

Woods, at 32 (five years Danny Ford's junior), reminds the fans: "We had a good season that almost became a great season except for missing the playoffs by one. They took 12 teams and we were 13th." As it gets nearer blueberry-picking time, just before fall football drills, Woods keeps saying, "I hope we are not acting like fat cats."

Among the Southern Independents South Carolina runs out the "quarterbacks of the future." Two prep All-Americans were redshirted last year, and they will direct the Gamecocks for the next four seasons—expected up to 1984 levels. The new offense is called "Run 'n Shoot." Its directors are Todd Ellis (6-3, 200) and Pat Turner (6-2, 190). They can crow, and it begins August 30 with Miami.

One coaching change moved things at N.C. State and Furman, Southern Conference title-town. Dick Sheridan left Furman, where the sports writers voted him South Carolina coach of the year, to take over the Wolfpack at N.C. State, and long-time assistant Jimmy Satterfield inherited the Paladins.

Two players carry explosives around with them, legally of course. Georgia Tech's split end, Gary Lee, caught the ball 29 times last fall in Tech's 8-2-1 campaign. Of them 26 resulted in first downs or touchdowns—and 16 occurred on third-down plays, converting all. Clemson started tailback Kenny Flowers in only four games, yet he rushed his way to a Tiger-record 1,200 yards. "Kenny Flowers is capable of breaking to a touchdown every time he gets his hands on the ball," said Ford.

South Carolina State's domination of Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference football ranked right up there with death and taxes in the "Sure Thing" league throughout the 1970s and into the '80s. Why, they could have shipped the championship trophy to Orangeburg in August, and nobody would have protested. But the Bulldogs and titles have gone the way of the horse and buggy for now. Indeed, S.C. State will be fortunate to escape the second division this season. Look to Delaware State to successfully defend its champi-

onship this fall with North Carolina A&T offering the stiffest challenge.

Delaware State blistered MEAC opposition to the tune of 192-59 a year ago and expects more of the same. Tackle Dan Candeloro, the league's top defensive player in 1985, heads the cast. If the Hornets fail, the reason probably will be Alan Hooker, North Carolina A&T's dynamite quarterback. He threw for almost 2,100 yards and 24 touchdowns last season, and coach Mo Forte says he'll match Hooker with any quarterback on the East Coast. Another individual certain to be heard from again is Howard linebacker Marvin Jackson. He's led the Bison in tackles for two straight years and he's only a junior.

They finally found a way to end the South Atlantic Conference's habit of dominating the NAIA national championship. How? Simple. They didn't invite a SAC-8 squad to participate in the playoffs. That's like leaving the Atlantic Coast Conference out of the national basketball playoffs. The SAC-8 is merely the toughest league in the NAIA, and proof is in the league's trophy cases. Prior to getting snubbed, SAC-8 teams had won three national crowns and tied for a fourth in five years.

The coaches won't say so, but it is not stretching the truth to report that winning the conference title is more difficult than winning the national championship. The competition is that tough. This season will be no exception. Mars Hill, which surprised by claiming the league title a year ago, defends with quarterback Joe Pizzo returning to spark the attack. But the Lions have lost the element of surprise, and the favorites are a couple of old standbys: Elon and Presbyterian.

Folks around the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association have been wondering for years what would happen if Hampton University produced an offense to complement its outstanding defense. They found out in 1985, and only Hampton faithful like the results. The Pirates more than doubled their point produc-

tion and remained stingy on defense, a combination that produced their first CIAA championship since 1931. With everybody and his brother returning, they'll be favored to make it two straight this fall.

Having something to say to the contrary will be Winston-Salem State, which came up short in the title game for the second straight year and thirsts for revenge. The Rams dealt Hampton its only regular season loss, a 47-13 lashing, and then fell to the Pirates, 13-7, in the playoffs. Coach Bill Hayes is still trying to figure out how that happened. Winston-Salem should have the easier path to the 1986 championship game. The Rams, armed with experience and speed to burn, are a solid favorite to win their fourth consecutive CIAA Southern Division crown. Hampton should successfully defend its CIAA Northern Division crown. But the road is thorny. Virginia Union is blessed with 21 veteran starters from a 6-4 squad, and only the brave talk about the Northern race without mentioning Norfolk State.

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CLEMSON

(6-6, 4-3) Coach Danny Ford looked around a squad with 53 returning lettermen, a record for the Tigers in many recent decades, and realized his Clemson club would go into the ACC football season as favorites for the championship. Then he remarked, "Our offensive line has got to improve and our linebackers have got to come on." Those might well have been the strength positions last fall. It was the line which took charge when Ford returned to the Tigers' basic option offense after starting 1-3—and finished the regular season 5-2. And senior linebackers paced the tackling statistics. Henry Walls and Keith Williams will be missed.

Clemson returns experienced starters on both units—seven on offense, eight on defense—and Ford is working on a 10th straight

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Back . . . Greg Philpott . JR . South Carolina
Back . . . Terence Mack . SR . Clemson
Return specialist . . . Keela Covington . SR . Maryland
Punter . . . George Cimadevilla . SR . East Tennessee State



JIM RIGGS Clemson

winning regular season. The Tigers lost to Minnesota in the Independence Bowl to finish 6-6. They had turnover problems, which drew special emphasis in the spring, and they were also outscored, 82-62, in the fourth quarter. That's a no-no. The offense will look to the big play, mainly from senior tailback Kenny Flowers; the defense is certainly well-balanced, where no less than 12 lettermen are contesting for secondary playing time.

When the offense reverted back to the basic option in the fifth game, sophomore Rodney Williams (6-2, 200) took over at quarterback. The Tiger attack more than doubled in production, Williams rushing 53 times and passing for 772 yards—but only one TD. Returning also is junior Randy Anderson (6-5, 192), who started the first four games. Outstanding in the spring game was redshirt freshman Chris Morocco.

Kenny Flowers (6-0, 210) started only four games at tailback but ran for 1,200 yards and scored 13 touchdowns. He now teams with senior Terrence Flagler. At fullback, with the major assignment of blocking, are sophs Chris Lancaster (6-1, 215), who started at the finish, and Tracey Johnson (6-1, 215), who had a 5.1 rushing average. The wide receivers, starting together for the fourth season, are Ray Williams and Terrance Rouhlac, all-ACC as a sophomore. Last season they had 1,904 yards total offense. Roulhac the top pass-catcher (31 for 17.2 avg).

Junior John Phillips (6-5, 245) at guard and senior Jim Riggs (6-5, 245) at tight end are the only returning regulars in the offensive line, but there is experience. Senior Eric Nix (6-2, 255) who started three games at center, now moves up. Redshirt freshman Pat Williams (6-6, 265) was moved to guard from the defense and sophs Jim Nunamacher (6-4, 280) and Frank Delulis (6-6, 265) step up at tackles.

Defensively, there is strength despite the youthful linebackers. Mike Jolley is the only senior. He'll team with junior Duane Walker (moved from defensive end) and redshirt freshmen Vince Taylor and Donan Mariable. Seniors Perry Williams, Delton Hall, and A. J. Johnson (who broke Terry Kinard's record with 117 tackles) return in the secondary, along with soph Gene Beasley, who started three games, and soph Norman Haynes, the surprise of the Orange-White spring game.

Up front, it is the same: big, tough, experienced. Michael Dean Perry (6-2, 255), who has a family acquaintance with the Chicago Bears, again teams with tackles Raymond Chavous (6-5, 290) and Dwayne Meadows (6-



ALVIN BLOUNT

4, 250), guard Brian Raber (6-4, 247), and bandit Terence Mack, whose 102 tackles stole the school bandit record. Perry and Mack saw part-time action. When they both started, the Tigers were 4-0.

MARYLAND

(9-3, 6-0) One of the strengths of the Maryland football program, dating from the Jerry Claiborne years and peaking under Bobby Ross, has been the stockpiling of outstanding talent. Ross's teams have dominated the ACC with three consecutive championships—and a 17-game conference win streak. Maryland added



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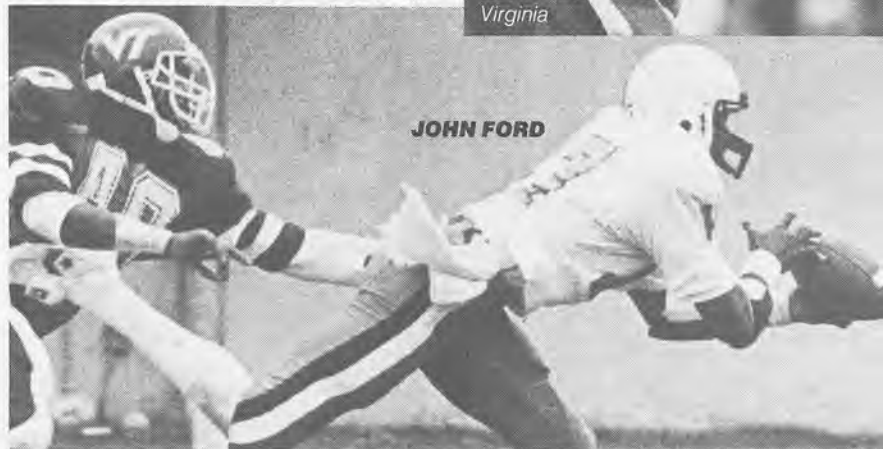
a Cherry Bowl victory over Syracuse to its nationally-ranked season a year ago, and there are 45 lettermen returning.

But there are question marks around metropolitan College Park. Who is the quarterback? Boomer Esiason answered that question several years ago, then Stan Gelbaugh did the very same thing. Their answers were outstanding. Now it goes to Dan Henning, a junior who redshirted his freshman season. It is a real challenge, for he threw only one pass last year (and nobody caught it). But he's used to such competition—his father coaches the Atlanta Falcons. Only four starters return from a fine offensive unit, and that is the Terrapin test.

The offense also loses the top runner, Rick Badanjek, but senior Alvin Blount, with a career 5.4-yard average per carry (828 yards last fall), returns at tailback, backed by senior Tommy Neal (362 yards) and soph Mike Anderson. Senior Stephon Scriber (6-2, 231) moves up at fullback with soph Keith Bullock and junior Richard Shure. Henning gets first quarterback call, a wide-open spot along with soph Drew Komlo and redshirt freshmen Robert Nutile and Neil O'Donnell. Senior Azizuddin Abdul-Ra'ooof (6-1, 294) has caught at least one pass in every game he's played at Maryland. Last season he had 35 catches averaging 19.2 yards. The wide corps includes soph Vernon Joines, junior James Milling, and senior Sean Sullivan.

The offensive line has only two returning starters: junior Ferrell Edmunds (6-6, 235) at tight end, where he caught 21 passes, and junior Bill Hughes (6-5, 276) at center. Versatile Dave Amend (6-5, 273), a defensive tackle as a freshman and a starting center as a sophomore, now starts at guard, along with soph Richard Nelson (6-4, 268) and senior Robert Sterling (6-2, 270). Behemoth Ben Jefferson (6-9, 322), who had a good spring drill, and junior John Sorna (6-5, 280) are the tackles.

Defensively, it's a Terrapin plus, a unit which did not give up a touchdown rushing in the first eight games. It returns three all-ACC players: senior Bruce Mesner (6-5, 279), who



JOHN FORD

had 12 sacks and 113 tackles at guard in Ross's wide-tackle six setup; linebacker Chuck Faucette, and back Keeta Covington. Junior Bob Arnold (6-4, 261) returns at guard with Mesner, backed by three seniors: Robert Klein (6-4, 262), Tommy Parker (6-2, 288), and Neal Sampson (6-3, 275). Senior Ted Chapman (6-2, 260) is a tackle regular, and vying for his position mate are sophs Wayne Brunson and Warren Powers. Junior O'Brien Alston (6-7, 227) starts again at defensive end, paired with Terry Burke and Steve Kelly.

Senior Chuck Faucette (6-3, 238) led the Terps in tackles (144) at linebacker. Junior Richie Petitbon (6-4, 231) is another returning starter. Senior Covington, with six interceptions a year ago, again sparks the secondary, where playing time will be contested between senior Lewis Askew, junior Danny Swingle, sophs Irvin Smith and Chad Sydnor, and redshirt freshman J.B. Brown.

NORTH CAROLINA

(5-6, 3-4) Tar Heel manpower is still youthful, and losing four of the last five games is certainly nothing to build momentum. Talent and experience are in Chapel Hill, despite the fact there's only one senior slated to start on defense and just three on the offense.

There were some things which drew special attention in the spring. Consistency was one, like controlling the ball on offense to give the defensive unit a breather. North Carolina gave up 355.6 yards per game and only thrice held the enemy under three touchdowns. The Tar Heels played well, particularly in the first half when they outscored opponents 132-78, but fell apart in the fourth quarter.

The defensive unit has seven starters returning. Across the front there is strength and experience. Junior tackle Reuben Davis (6-3, 280) made all-ACC as a sophomore, alongside juniors Tim Goad (6-4, 290) and Donnie Wallace (6-3, 280). End duties were split by junior Noel McEachern and senior Ron Burton, who was second in tackles. The squad's top tackler, junior Brett Rudolph (6-2, 228), heads the linebackers, and getting top call for the vacant spot will be sophomore Mitch Wike

and four redshirt freshmen: Steve Lowe, John Reed, Chuck Sledge, and Terry Whisnant. Returning starters at safety are juniors Norris Davis (remember the name) and Howard Fegins, with Derrick Donald at one cornerback. Vying for regular roles are sophomores Antonio Goss, Jim Jauch, and Sterling Hayden and senior Danny Burmeister.

Jonathan Hall (6-2, 200) as a freshman took over the starting quarterback assignment for the final three games, passing for 559 yards and four TDs. Missing will be Kevin Anthony, who passed up his senior year of eligibility to pursue a Rhodes scholarship. Backing Hall will be sophomore Mike Bowman and, Crum hopes, the talented Mark Maye, who's had shoulder trouble. Tailback duties go to senior William Humes (6-0, 198), 515 yards despite missing four games; sophomore Derrick Fennner (6-4, 220), who ran 109 yards in his first college game; and redshirt freshman Clarence Carter. Junior Brad Lopp is the blocking fullback. He gained 407 yards and caught 18 passes. The receivers are senior Eric Streater, junior Eric Lewis, and soph Randy Marriott.

It's a tremendous line, starting with senior tackle Harris Barton (6-4, 275), maybe the best offensive lineman in the ACC. Also at tackle are soph Creighton Incorminias (6-4, 294), a late-season starter, and soph Darrell Hamilton (6-7, 282). Moving up at guards are junior Ralph Phifer (6-2, 271), shifted from center; soph Tim Brooks (6-4, 268), and freshman Pat Crowley (6-3, 285). Soph Jeff Garnica (6-4, 240) returns at center, while the tight ends are senior Dave Truitt (6-4, 232), junior

Daryl Parham (6-7, 264), and soph Damon Hueston (6-6, 230). They have one assignment from Crum: "Do a better job of controlling the football."

VIRGINIA

(6-5, 4-3) Coming off the third straight winning football season, the first such Cavalier run since the early 1950s, coach George Welsh should be a tad more optimistic. But caution has become his middle name. "We like our running backs," he said, "so if the offensive line comes through we should be able to run the football." Then he added, "Defensively, a lot will depend on our linebacker play."

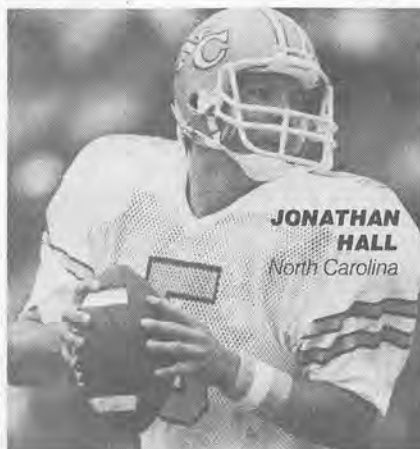
There are 31 lettermen, but among those missing are Jim Dombrowski, the sixth pick in the NFL draft, fellow all-ACC lineman Harold Garren, and the school's two best linebackers ever. Not to mention tailback Barry Word, the ACC player of the year. The Cavaliers had a great first quarter, outscoring the other side 81-40, but by the final period they were outdone—and outscored 74-48. It was an exciting November: over West Virginia, down to N.C. State, over North Carolina 24-22, down to Maryland. The Cavaliers would like to replay several fourth quarters.

Only three starters return on offense. The line was wiped out, except for sophomore tight end Joel Dempsey (6-3, 231), the top returning receiver. He teams with another soph, David Griggs (6-4, 228). Battling for starting calls at tackle are junior Paul Sierocinski (6-6, 266), junior Mike Fetsko (6-5, 253), and senior Scott Urch (6-2, 246). At guard are senior John Burns, juniors Mike Battle and John Fetsko, and sophomore Mike Pascucci. Two juniors, John Long and Brent Yoder are at center.

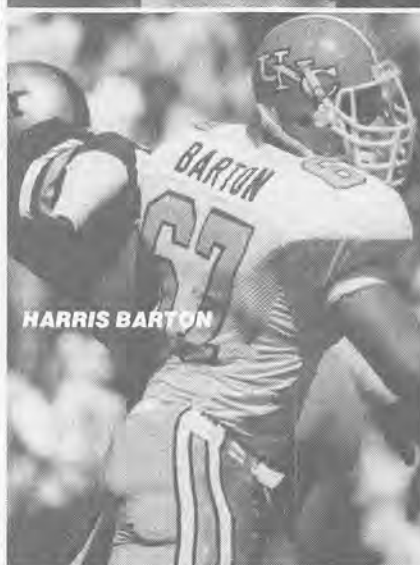
Senior quarterback Don Majkowski (6-2, 205) directs the option attack. He passed for 1,233 yards but also ran for more yards (295 and 6 TDs) than any other ACC quarterback. He is backed by junior Scott Secules and soph Doug Glagola. Howard Petty, a starting tailback in '83 and '84, tops the runners (525 yards), backed by soph Chris Warren, who was moved from secondary. Fullback will be



REUBEN DAVIS



JONATHAN HALL
North Carolina



HARRIS BARTON



NORTH CAROLINA DEFENSE

MALCOLM KING
Georgia Tech



IVERY LEE

soph Kevin Morgan (491 yards) or senior tri-captain Antonio Rice, who's been hampered by injury. The receivers will be Quanah Bull-ock and '84 ACC rookie of the year John Ford, who was out last fall with an injury. He averaged 28.7 yards per catch (for 7 TDs) as a freshman. Soph walk-on Tim Finkelston starred in the spring game.

Defensively, there are seven starters, but Warren has moved to tailback and two others have new spots. Soph Elton Toliver (6-2, 237) shifted from tackle to end, teaming with senior Edgar Davis and sophs Craig Zimmer and Preston Hicks. Junior Sean Scott, an AP All-America honorable mention at end, now tops the linebackers, along with soph Jeff Lagaman and senior Stuart Mines. Starter Billy Keys (6-2, 240) is at tackle with senior Rayotis Perkins (6-5, 239), and soph Kelly Caulk (6-2, 242) heads the nose guards. The Cavalier strength on defense is in the secondary: senior tri-captain Kevin Gould, senior Kevin Ferguson, and junior Ryan Jackson. Brian Bodison and Eric Clay complete the unit.

GEORGIA TECH

(9-2-1; 5-1) Atlanta is working on Georgia Tech's third straight winning football season, a first since the days of the legendary Bobby Dodd. Tech's defensive unit calls itself the "Black Watch," and it's the "Microchip" offense. When coach Bill Curry added up the past season's honors, Tech made the nation's top 20 for the first time since 1970, had its best record since 1966 and its first bowl win since 1970. Yes, sirree, it was just like olden times. But it was also Curry's finest senior class. Gone is John Dewberry, a three-year starter at quarterback, and 10 key performers on the defense which ranked No. 4 in the nation against scoring.

There is momentum coming off the 1985 finish: Gary Lee's 95-yard kickoff return to beat rival Georgia for the second straight

year, Malcolm King's 122 yards and two touchdowns to down Michigan State in the All-American Bowl. There is a more practical look to Curry's redshirt program: 24 of the top 33 on offense have that extra year to mature.

The defensive unit, missing eight starters, is captained by senior Ivery Lee (6-0, 263), a four-year starter at nose guard. The backups look like a nickname corps: Jeff (Sugar Bar) Mathis, Travis (747) Moody, and Willie (Bam Bam) Burks. Senior Kyle Ambrose (6-3, 245) was moved to tackle as a starter. Junior Paul Jurgensen (6-5, 234) heads the ends, with redshirt freshmen Steve Mullen, David Hicks, Sean Smith, Daryl Jenkins, and Scott Beavers.

Two valuable seniors lead what's behind the line: four-year starter Reginald Rutland and three-year regular Anthony Harrison in the secondary. They are backed by seniors Willis Crockett, Sammy Lilly, and Mike Rosamilia and junior Riccardo Ingram. Sophomore linebackers are Mark White, who started three games, and Rod Stephens, redshirted last season. The rover (basically the strong safety) is a contest between senior Andre Thomas and sophomore George Malone.

Quarterback, or the search for one, is the offensive story. Todd Rampley (6-2, 187) got the call—a winning one, too—in the All-American Bowl. He'll be challenged by two-year letterman Rick Strom (6-2, 206) and junior Darrell Gast (6-3, 212), injured in the first game last fall. Malcolm King, a star of the bowl game (441 yards on the season), returns at fullback. Tailback is shared by soph Jerry Mays (ACC rookie of year, 566 yards before he was sidelined in the sixth game with a fractured knuckle), senior Cory Collier (1983 ACC rookie), soph Terence Curry, and redshirt freshman Alphonso Thomas. The receivers are returning regulars: senior Gary Lee, a big-play man with 29 catches for a 22.2 yard average, and junior Toby Pearson. Senior Daryl Wise returns, a two-year starter before injury.

Nobody plays the offensive line better than senior John Davis (6-4, 292), a four-year starter. Tight end Robert Massey (6-4, 223) is also a regular returning, having split time with senior Tim Marion. Soph Wayne Mote (6-4, 246) gets the center call, and moving up at guards are junior Dean Weaver (6-2, 261) and soph Eric Bearden (6-2, 246). Senior Tyrone Sorrells (6-3, 235) was moved from tight end to tackle, to battle another senior, Mitch Waters (6-6, 265), and redshirt freshman Jessie Marion (6-3, 279).

NORTH CAROLINA STATE

(3-8, 2-5) Once again, there's something new about the Wolfpack. This time the new coach is Dick Sheridan, 44, who moved from his dual role as athletic director and football coach at Furman. In eight seasons there his mark was 69-23-2 with six Southern Conference championships. He was Division I-AA's winningest coach. His Furman team beat the Wolfpack, 42-20, last September.

New will be the option-I, and the 5-2 defensive alignment will be the third system in three seasons. On the way to a strong finish last fall, State beat South Carolina and Virginia—and Erik Kramer was selected all-ACC quarterback. Only Kramer is left. He had to go to the air in '85 since rushing paid off only 84.5 yards per Saturday. The defense was annihilated, giving up 378.2 yards per game. The Pack was eighth in the ACC in all the bad things.

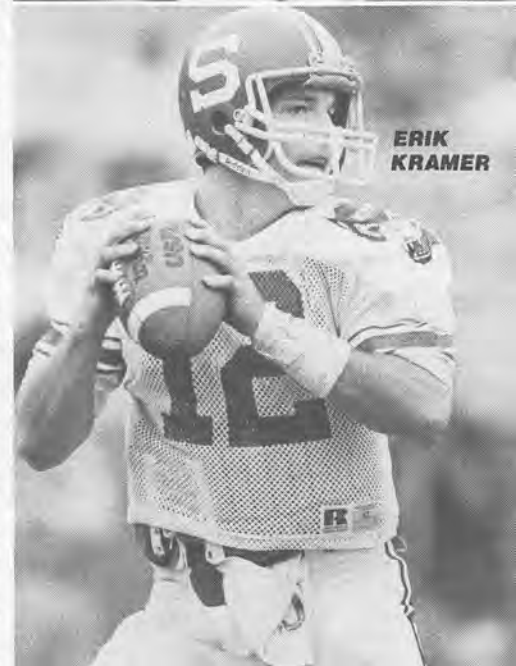
First off, the new offense. Kramer, a former

junior-college star from California, can throw: 55.8 percent accuracy, 2,510 yards, 16 TDs, four school records. He even has a 3.36 GPA in pre-med. Backing him will be redshirt freshman Cam Young and walk-on sophomore Joe Hollowell. The Wolfpack lost the rest of the backfield, so the option-I will have newcomers. Junior Bobby Crumpler, moved from the defense, may be the starting tailback just ahead of senior Frank Harris and redshirt freshman Troy Russell. Three sophs are at fullback: Steve Salley, Mal Crite, and Jerome Staton, who had 40 carries last fall. The receivers are outstanding again: Haywood Jeffries (36 catches, six TDs), Danny Peebles, Mack Jones, Nasrallah Worthen, (26 catches, 19.4-yard avg), and Shawn Post. A strong weapon

MIKE COFER
N.C. State



ERIK KRAMER



will be place-kicker Mike Cofer, who missed all last fall with an injury in the opening game.

Lettermen spark the offensive line, although tight end Ralph Britt (6-3, 235), tackle Joey Page (6-2, 275), and center Jeff Hojnacki (6-3, 256) are the only returning starters. Soph Todd Fisher backs up at tight end, and soph Chuck Massaro (6-1, 253), who started four games as guard, is also at center. Senior Johnny Smith (6-4, 265) and junior John Inman (6-3, 261) start at guards. Senior Bill Leach (6-4, 275) teams with Page at tackle, along with junior Brock Miller (6-8, 279).

Defensive players were changed to a wide-tackle six last fall, and now it's the 5-2. Both nose guards, three-letter senior Sandy Kea (6-0, 254) and soph John Adleta (6-4, 260), were

kins was called in. Groh called his "the biggest arm of any quarterback I've ever coached." It built the optimism for '86.

Offensively, all five linemen have at least two years' experience. Four-year starter Tim Morrison (6-3, 261) heads the tackles with junior Mike Rice (6-1, 265), backed by senior Gregg Harris and junior Ken Keessee. Stand-out senior Paul Kiser (6-3, 272), maybe the best athlete on the squad, and junior Paul Mann (6-3, 270) return at guards, while senior Frank Carmines (6-3, 252) takes over center ahead of soph Tony Watt and redshirt freshman Tony Mayberry. Junior James Phillips and juco Kevin Graham battle at tight end.

The passing game has several assets. Elkins (6-3, 215) started the final four games last fall and hit 53 percent of his passes. Senior Jamie Harris returns with experience, along with redshirt freshman Stafford Moser. There are excellent receivers in seniors James Brim (6-3, 188), all-ACC last fall, and David Chambers. Brim led the ACC wide receivers with 51 catches and Chambers had 27. Greg Scales (6-4, 231) caught six TD passes. But the ball-carriers don't have much experience. Junior Darryl McGill only had 45 carries yet averaged 5.2, whereas junior Chip Rives, the new fullback, carried only 14 times. Freshman Mike Hudson is a good running prospect.

Defensively, it's a different story. Only four starters return, all behind the line. At linebacker there are six Deacons with starts to their credits, led by senior Steve Lambert and junior Joe Walker. Others of experience are seniors Scott Roberts and Toby Cole and junior Jimmie Simmons and Dexter Victor. Sophomore A.J. Greene led the secondary in interceptions and sophs Tony Mosley and Ernie Purnsley had several starts. Junior walk-on Warren Smith also returns. The front has a dearth of experience. The leaders are senior nose guard Ronnie Grinton and soph end Kelly Vaughan, supported by senior Terence Ryan, who was out with an injury much of last season, and redshirt freshmen John Hyatt, Joe Davis, and Terry Smith.

DUKE

(4-7, 2-5) Momentum has begun to mount for coach Steve Sloan, in his fourth season, and the Blue Devils, who are coming off victories over N.C. State and North Carolina in November. Returning are veterans at the skilled positions, but graduation left gaps in the lines. "Our junior class is our nucleus," said Sloan.

Revving up the offense, and keeping it there, will be a major assignment for the youthful Blue Devils. Duke beat Northwestern and Ohio U. in the first three weeks last season, and then the offense disintegrated. It had one shutout, three other games with only a single touchdown, and six consecutive defeats. Finding new linemen will be important to keeping the offense steady. Only senior center Paul Constantino (6-2, 260) is a returning starter. Senior Paul Burke (6-3, 260) and junior Steve Ryan (6-3, 275) are the listed starters at guard, backed up by senior Greg Harper (6-4, 267) and junior Ted McNairy (6-5, 260). Juco John Butler (6-6, 270) teams with senior Brad Paddock (6-6, 270) at one tackle spot; two sophomores, Glenn Turner (6-4, 260) and Will McCrum (6-6, 270), are at the other.

Junior Steve Slayden returns at quarterback, where he generated 58.8 percent accuracy with his passing (1,937 yards, 10 TDs), and also carried the ball 99 times. He works

with soph Anthony Dilweg, who does the punting as the top ACC kicker returning, and senior Mike Muschamp. The tailback is again junior Stanley Monk (431 rushing yards and 23 catches), ahead of senior Julius Grantham (301 yards), soph Wayne Charles, and incoming freshman T.J. Edwards. Senior Tracy Smith tops the fullbacks (455 yards, 21 catches last fall), with junior Eric Sanders and senior Mike Peacock. Both wide receivers return as starters, junior Doug Green and senior Greg Flanagan. Green, who also returns punts, led the ACC with 804 yards on his 51 catches, good for eight TDs as well. At tight end are junior Jason Cooper (6-4, 235), who missed spring work with lacrosse, and redshirt freshman Dave Colonna (6-5, 235).

The defense has just four returning starters, only one of them a lineman. He is junior Dave Demore (6-2, 242) at defensive end, where he pairs up with soph Jeff Patten (6-6, 212) ahead of senior Harry Lawson and soph John McDonald. Senior Murray Youmans (61-265) has moved from end to tackle, starting with senior Craig Owens (6-3, 260) over soph Brian Bernard (6-5, 270) and redshirt freshman Marc Crayton (6-4, 250). Senior Mike Junkin returns from an injury-marred season at linebacker, where he was the team's top tackler. Another starter is senior Bill Lucas, aided by juniors Andy Andreasik and Jim Godfrey. Sophomore Fonda Williams heads the cornerbacks, starting with junior Dewayne Terry and soph Terrance Laster.



STEVE SLAYDEN
Duke



MIKE JUNKIN

JAMES BRIM
Wake Forest

at other positions last fall. Juniors Grady Harris (6-3, 274) and Kent Winstead (6-2, 252) were starting tackles but this fall they may alternate or back up senior Brian Bulluck (6-3, 238) and junior Eric Kling (6-3, 245). Senior Kelvin Crooms, the No. 1 tackler, heads the linebackers, and senior Nelson Jones leads the no-depth secondary where senior Derrick Taylor, ex-linebacker Chris Johnson, and soph Michael Brooks have new starting roles. Their job is cut out for them.

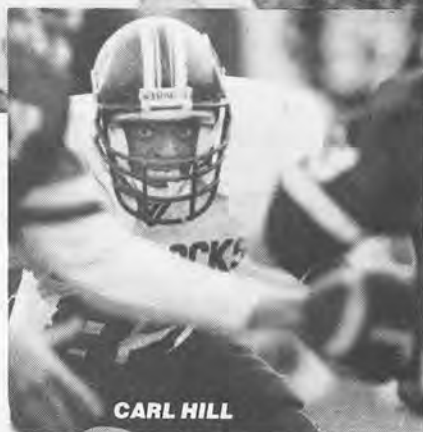
WAKE FOREST

(4-7, 1-6) Al Groh, opening his sixth season, has been at Wake Forest longer than any other head coach since Peahead Walker, and that was eons ago. His Deacons had a disappointing season. They began 3-1, lost by a hair (29-31) at Tennessee, and the bottom fell out. Then they could beat Duke only (27-7), losing three games by a total of seven points. Yes, 4-7 could have been 7-4.

It had the ACC's No. 3 offense (367.6-yard average), but Wake could generate only a 19.3 scoring average. The Deacons did not score a touchdown against Maryland, and on two other occasions had only a single TD. At midseason the offense lost two experienced quarterbacks to injury, and freshman Mike El-

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DERRICK LITTLE
South Carolina



CARL HILL

independents

SOUTH CAROLINA

(5-6) Disappointing indeed was the 1985 campaign: inconsistencies and injuries upon injuries. Coach Joe Morrison believes in playing a lot of people, and in the last half of the season 24 of the top 48 players were either freshmen or sophomores. Thus, the Gamecock youth has experience. They also have fans, the rootin', tootin', yelling kind. Williams-Brice Stadium averaged 72,229 in attendance, 12th in the nation.

A year ago, with a senior backfield, the offense was rush-oriented (552 rush plays, 258 passes). This year, with two outstanding red-shirt freshman quarterbacks, Todd Ellis of Greensboro, NC, and Pat Turner of Canton, GA, the Gamecocks have put the veer on the

back burner. The new offense is called "Run 'n Shoot." "We'll probably pass about 60 percent of the time with it," said Morrison.

Only one senior returns as an offensive line starter, but Scott Hagler must be added with a footnote. He's the senior place-kicker, on a roll with 80 consecutive PATs and counting. In three years, only 92 of his 172 kickoffs have been touched. Senior Ray Carpenter (6-3, 260) returns at guard along with junior David Poinsett (6-5, 265). Junior Buddy Quarles (6-4, 275) is again at tackle, teaming with soph Charles Gowan (6-4, 250). Junior Woody Myers (6-5, 250) lettered at center.

The backfield is gone, but there is tremendous talent. Seniors Raynard Brown and Anthony Smith are top running backs, with Brown a possible wingback in the aerial show. He is an outstanding kickoff returner. Backups will be redshirt freshman Kevin Jones (6-1, 205) and freshman Ken Watson. And there are the young quarterbacks. Ellis (6-3, 200), a premier prep player in 1984, has a tremendous arm and 4.7 speed, whereas Turner (6-2, 190) is a better runner with 4.6 speed. Turner, however, broke his collarbone in the spring game. They are roommates with identical 3.5 grade point averages.

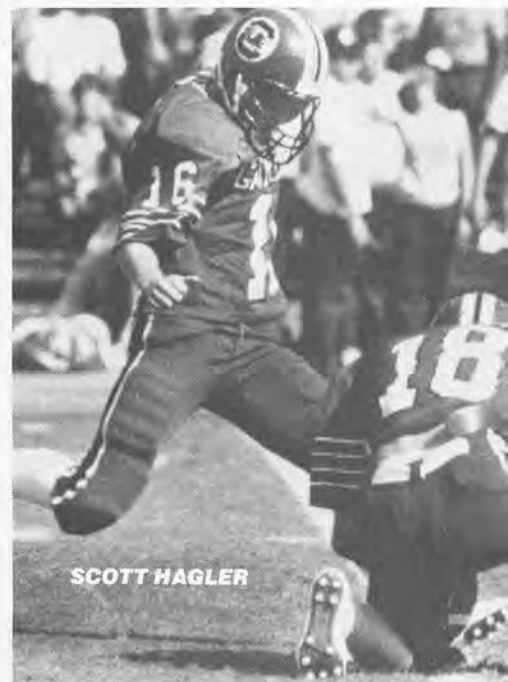
South Carolina's defense focuses on the ball at all times, and Morrison noted, "We like the 'Fire Ant' concept on defense." There are seniors in this unit, including Willie McIntee (6-2, 231), who teams with sophomore Derrick

Little (6-4, 225) at defensive end. Little intercepted twice from that spot, one for a TD. Fitzgerald Davis (64, 265) is the senior tackle among the returning starters, junior Tom Chalkin (6-2, 232) the other.

Three experienced linebackers return, all juniors: Gleen Peacock, who had 20 tackles against Navy; Kenneth Robinson, the team leader with 131 tackles for the year; and Carl Hill, who was hampered by an ankle injury and a broken finger last season. Junior Brad Edwards (6-3, 205) will move into the starting secondary with a three-year starter Chris Major, sophomore Robert Robinson, and junior Greg Philpot, all-South Independent with his six interceptions.

VIRGINIA TECH

(6-5) Bill Dooley has 45 victories in six consecutive winning seasons, and last season was a typical Dooley display. The Hokies outscored



SCOTT HAGLER

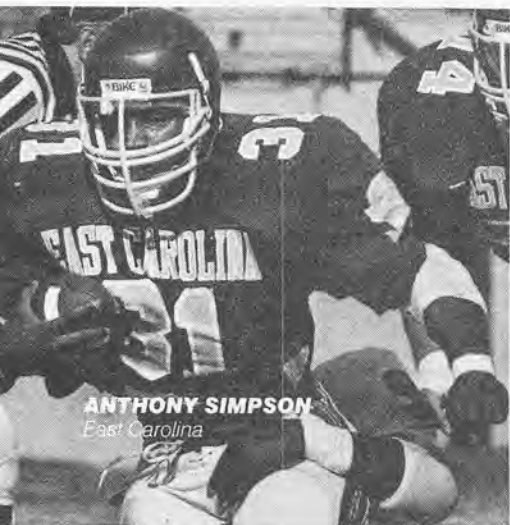
the opposition (88-55) in the fourth quarter. The coach prides himself on that.

Virginia Tech started 1-4 last fall, and then the senior offensive line took charge. The Hokies lost only to Florida in the final six weeks, and among the wins was one for bragging rights in the state (over Virginia). But this is a rebuilding year on the offense and in the defensive secondary, which was not great a year ago. Tech gave up almost 2,500 yards passing, although it did rank 12th in the nation against the rush. Being tough in the trenches is also a Dooley trademark.

For starters, the Hokies do not have a quarterback on campus who has ever done anything more than play one series at the tail end of a game. Spring drills did not label a No. 1 among senior Jeff Ballance, junior Erik Chapman, and soph Jeff Roberts. Tailback is a Hokie strength. Senior Maurice Williams, the club's MVP, rushed for 936 yards last fall and his alternate, senior Eddie Hunter, added 698. They will team with junior fullback Earnie Jones (278 yards rushing, 11 passes caught, and a terrific blocker). Junior David Everett (6-4, 208) leads the wingback candidates. Returning split end Donald Wayne Snell topped

EDDIE HUNTER
Virginia Tech





ANTHONY SIMPSON
East Carolina

the pass receiving (31), but rushing is the Dooley game.

The offensive line has no returning starters. Junior Steve Johnson (6-6, 235) rates ahead of Mike Shifflett and Ken Barefoot at tight end. Junior Ron Singleton (6-2, 268) and senior Jim Davie (6-3, 260) are the tackles, juniors Kevin Keefe (6-1, 255) and Stacy Johnson (6-6, 235) the guards, and senior Robert Frulla (6-2, 245) the center who got a lot of action last fall.

Experience gets the call on the defensive unit, except in the secondary, where junior Carter Wiley (6-3, 216) carries over. He had five interceptions. Vying for secondary spots are Roger Brown, Billy Myers, Bo Blackenship, Henry Rawls, Mitch Dove, and Sean Lucas. Outstanding are the linebackers: starters Paul Nelson (6-3, 206), and Jamel Agemy, backed by junior Lawrence White. They rated 1-2-3 in tackles last fall. Two-year starter Mark Webb (6-2, 276) returns at nose guard. Horacio Moronta (6-1, 259) was a freshman starter who teams at tackle with reserve Rick Singleton (6-5, 250). The ends are outstanding: seniors Morgan Roane (6-5, 250) and Curtis Taliaferro (6-3, 226). Roane had 11 sacks and Dooley banks on a repeat performance.

EAST CAROLINA

(2-9) Art Baker returned to East Carolina last fall to rebuild a sagging football program. In 1983, when he was the offensive coordinator, the Pirates finished No. 20 in the AP poll. Baker went off to Florida State to learn about the passing game, and returned to the flat lands of coastal Carolina as head coach. ECU scored 33 points and a victory in the first game (over N.C. State). The Pirates beat Southwest Texas State, then lost a close one to Penn State (17-10). But everything fell apart and they lost on nine straight Saturdays.

Offensively, the Pirates were sometimes atrocious, sometimes worse. They were outscored, 145-83, in the second half, a sign of fatigue. They didn't throw the ball much (8 yards vs. Southern Miss). But Baker has changed the offense to the air. ECU doesn't have a No. 1 quarterback coming in, but it does have a new quarterback coach, Art Baker, by his own choice.

Eight starters return on offense, aided by nine junior-college transfers. And 12 to 14 of the freshmen have a chance to contribute. It does provide needed depth. Seniors spark the line: Ken Bourgeois (6-0, 250) at center,

Paul Hoggard (6-1, 257) and Greg Thomas (6-1, 251) at guard, Curtis Struyk (6-3, 256) and Robert Alexander (6-3, 261) at tackle, and Mike Gailey (6-2, 210) at tight end.

Baker wants to throw 35-40 times a game. The offense is now a one-back set, possibly fullback Anthony Simpson (5-10, 226), who returns with the most yardage (488). Other runners will be soph Reggie McKinney, junior Terry Paige, and senior Dwight Richardson. But the big change comes at quarterback. Soph Berke Holtzclaw, who started the last three games, is tabbed No. 1 with redshirt freshman Travis Hunter a close No. 2. The decision moved two-year starter Ron Jones to wide receiver. Other receivers include Tony Smith, Amos Adams, William Carver, a Wake Forest transfer, and jucos Jack Armstrong and Andre Fields.

Defensively, the Pirates have basically underclassmen. The only senior returning from a starting role is Gary London at safety, teaming with junior Ellis Dillahunt again. Others in the secondary are sophs Roswell Streeter, Flint McCallum, Lewis Wilson, and Lynn Porcher, along with juco Robert Martin. Junior Bubba Waters is a fine linebacker, teaming with junior Bruce Simpson and juco Ken Portis. Joe Grinage (6-3, 255) was a tackle regular in 1984 and injured last fall. He competes with returning starters David Plum (6-3, 243), the only senior in the front line, and soph Walter Bryant. Junior Essray Taliaferro is the bandit.

JAMES MADISON

(5-6) This will be Joe Purzycki's second campaign as head coach of the Dukes, and even though he has one of the best running backs in the division, he'll count on the defense to challenge for the national I-AA championship. "We've got to solve the turnover riddle," said the coach. It was atrocious, 30 fumbles and 18 interceptions, compared with 13-16 for the defense. A new offense, the winged-T, was difficult to learn. By the end of last fall, however, freshman quarterback Greg Lancaster stepped in and the Dukes won three of their final four, including an impressive 21-6 over eventual I-AA champ Georgia Southern.



DAVID HADEN
Towson State

It was the defense which held the Dukes together, ranking 10th in the final national statistics (284.3 yards per opponent). It will be that unit, returning almost intact, which must repeat for JMU to get on the plus side. Up front will be junior Doug West (5-11, 260), moved from the offense in Purzycki's initial season, an honorable mention I-AA All-American. He had 10 sacks. The tackles are juniors Greg Colvin (6-3, 220) and Jim Eckenrode (6-6, 271). The linebackers are senior Dean McCullough (6-2, 192), the team leader with 139 tackles, junior Albert Williams (6-5, 222), and sophomore Dan Kobosko (6-2, 220). Junior Shawn Woodson, a starter until a knee injury last year, and Marty Fitzgerald, a transfer from N.C. State, will also see action. The secondary returns intact: seniors Marshall Barnes, Marcus Adkins, and Arnold Grevious and junior Chris Jacobs.

That leaves the Dukes' story to the offense.



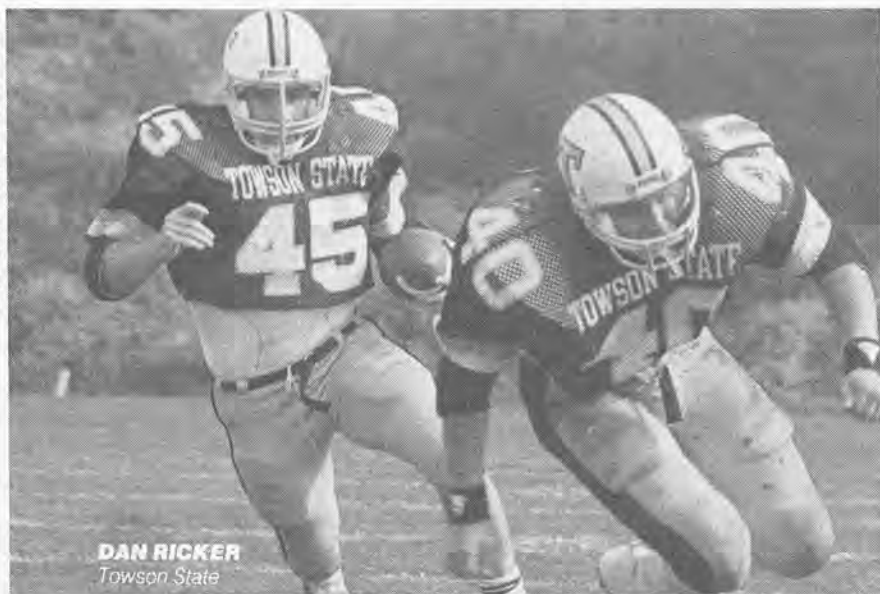
WARREN MARSHALL
James Madison

It had problems a year ago. The quarterbacks threw only 194 times (compared with 551 rushing plays), hit only 47.4 percent, and had 18 interceptions. Junior Eric Green got the No. 1 call after spring work. He went out with a knee injury after six games last year. The top returning I-AA career rusher for 1986 will be Warren Marshall (6-1, 204), JMU's only 1,000-yard rusher in history. (2,884 total). Halfback Kelvin Griffin added 754 yards. Senior Leon Watts, moved from the secondary, and junior Tony Miller will vie at split end.

"We don't have a senior anywhere on the depth chart on the line," said Purzycki, and that does present problems. The returning starters, all juniors, are tackle Roy Delph (6-3, 252), guard Carlo Bianchini (6-1, 241), and tight end Neal Wilkinson (6-5, 240). It leaves spots to juco Jay Johnson, Temple transfer Roy Hilliard, and five red-shirted frosh.

TOWSON STATE

(7-2-1) Time is running out on the Tigers. Coach Phil Albert has often voiced his and the school's goal of winning the NCAA Division II championship. The Tigers missed a third straight playoff last fall, and this season will be



DAN RICKER
Towson State

their final one in Division II. They move up to I-AA in 1987. To prepare for that the team will play six I-AA teams this fall.

Maybe the defense can hold its own, but the offense has question marks written all over it. Gone are key personnel in last season's passing game, but the No. 1 receiver, junior Dale Chipps, returns. He caught 54 passes for 1,001 yards, has great speed, and is tough in traffic. Junior tailback Dan Ricker missed all last season after gaining over 900 yards as a sophomore. Uncertain was the status of top rusher Jeff Beathard. Two seniors, Jay McMichael and Theron Richards, were competing at quarterback. The fullback is Scott Wilkins. Three starters spark the line: junior tight end Doug Brooks, soph center John Gaburick, and junior guard Chuck Konka.

Defensively, both starting tackles return: Leon Walton (6-3, 225) and Dave Pattock (6-4, 226). Tri-captains lead the secondary: cornerback Jim Lindowski and linebackers Joe Gamble and Dave Haden. The bench will be most important for the '86 Tigers. Chipps came off the bench and set his pass-catching records last fall, and it could be catching.

GUILFORD

(5-3-1) The Quakers had to scramble last fall, from a 0-3 start to coach Charles Forbes's sixth consecutive non-losing campaign. Returning to spark Guilford, competing in NAIA Division I, will be Jeff Schreiber, who won the quarterback assignment after three games, then directed the Quakers to 5-0-1. Also returning is top receiver Alex Brogan.

The linebacking is a strength, led by senior Cliff Tatum, who was out with a knee injury last season, East Carolina transfer Daniel Cole, and reserves Todd Shuping, Ken Bethea, and Charles Arrington. Two-time all-NAIA end Trent Tucker (6-2, 230) anchors the line with seniors Jody Engleby and Pat Barlow.

Moving into his first full-time starting backfield assignment will be senior Johnny Hines (342 rushing yards) and the district leading kickoff returner (24-yard avg). Tackle senior Alan Foley was all-district last fall, returning with senior center Rob Aplington and juniors Kamus McNair and Marc Scott.

Potent indeed is the place-kicking. Junior Rick Herry scored 5.8 points a game.

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APPALACHIAN STATE

(8-3, 6-1) There will be celebrations in the high country this football season. Coach Sparky Woods' Mountaineers were a strong runner-up in the Southern Conference race, ranked No. 12 in the final I-AA poll, and barely missed the I-AA playoffs. They lost some outstanding players, including linebacker Dino Hackett, picked in the NFL second round. But there are talented starters returning to a team which ranked No. 1 nationally in scoring defense and turnover margin.

The offense has John Settle, who rushed for a school-record 1,340 yards and scored 14 TDs. He was second-team AP All-America (I-AA). Soph Tim Sanders (419 yards) was the SC freshman of the year. Doug Beatty and Kenny Dawson, out all season with injury, move up at fullback. Todd Payton returns at quarterback, where he hit 54.8 percent of his passes for 1,162 yards with only six interceptions. Charlie Cole backs him up.

Woods likes his receiving corps, four lettermen at the positions where the Apps hope to go more and more. They include senior Troy Douglas (31 catches, 503 yards) and Russell Payne. Wardell Jefferson, who started three games, tops the flankers, with Ken Williams. Up front are senior tackles Mike Callaway (6-6, 270), all-SC, and James Hardman (6-4, 254) and junior guards Bob Bigger (6-4, 250) and Robert Joyce (6-3, 239). John Broome and Mike Day battle for center.

Defensively, all the regulars up front return, led by two all-conference players: Chris Mellick (6-2, 237) at end and Anthony Downs (6-2, 261) at tackle. They team again with senior Tommy Dawkins (6-3, 263) and soph Jimmy Snowden (6-4, 275). Senior Cedric Felton, the school's all-time tackle leader and a 33-game starter, heads the linebackers, along with senior Tim Knox and juniors Mickey Ray and David Freeland. A two-year starter, Jimmy Armstrong, tops the secondary, where Darryl Russell, Leonard Lee, Quincy Bethea, and Chuck Hill move up.

It is a solid team, including the place-kicking of Chris Gibbs and Bjorn Nittmo. However, there is a search going on for a punter.

THE CITADEL

(5-5-1, 2-4-1) Coach Tom Moore, in his fourth season, is constantly trying to make his Bulldog fans more cautious. But there's also reason to fire up those guns along the Battery, including 17 starters. It goes right on down the roster to Greg Davis, who averaged 42.7 yards on 77 punts and helped make The Citadel No. 2 in the nation (I-AA) in net punting. Davis, by the way, is also the place-kicker and needs just 43 points to become the school's No. 1 scorer.

Defensively, the Bulldogs return nine starters and star the "Thompson Trio." There are brothers Scott (6-5, 265) and Lance (6-1, 220) again starting at defensive tackle and end, respectively, and there's cousin Joel at linebacker. They ranked 1, 3, and 5 in tackles last season. The Bulldogs were No. 5 in the nation in pass defense, and just one member of the secondary is missing. Returning starters are seniors Albert Pressley and Brian Graves and junior Tommy French. The linebackers are Thompson, Mike Kissenberth, Rick Campbell, and Pete Long. Up front all-SC Steve Thompson is the mainstay at tackle with Herb Payne. Starting ends are senior Lance Thompson and sophomore Rob Brodsky.

Senior quarterback Kip Allen leads the offense, and Moore spares few words in his praise: "He was brilliant, I think, in just his first full year of starting. He has proven that he has the ability to run our offense with control and composure." Allen threw 417 times, hitting 55.4 percent for 2,478 yards and 16 TDs. The offensive backfield returns intact, including the senior running backs: Warren McGrier (547 yards, plus 47 receptions) and Adrian Williams. They are backed by fine sophomore Tom Frooman, who started all 11 games either in the backfield or on special teams. The re-



BILLY RAY JONES
Western Carolina

ceivers from a passing game that was No. 3 in the conference are seniors Ray Campbell and tight end Dayle Rust and junior Eric Reddish (29 catches). Two positions in the offensive line will be taken by reserves. However, returning guards are seniors Clint Smith (6-1, 250) and Bob Grant (6-2, 230). Moving up at center is senior Jim Petty (6-3, 230) and at tackles are senior Charles Jenkins (6-5, 240) and junior Scott Daniels (6-3, 265).

WESTERN CAROLINA

(4-6-1, 2-4-1) A losing record broke a three-year winning streak for the Catamounts. And Western Carolina started 3-1 and ranked in the top 20 for Division I-AA. Bob Waters, coming into his 18th season as dean of coaches in the territory, expressed his disappointment. "We lost two games and were tied early, games we should have won. Not winning hurt our confidence and cost us later in the year." He's working to avoid another mid-season collapse. He had a passing attack that got 3,846 yards but only seven touchdowns. The problems: quarterback and the running game; on defense, the secondary and linebackers. It is a team of the future, though. Of 15 returning starters, only four are seniors.

Getting the right quarterback gains top attention. Returning are the two starters a year ago: senior Willie Perkins, (1,842 yards, five TDs) and junior Kenny Edwards (496 yards). They are pushed by sophomores Todd Cottrell and Gary Lackey. Senior tight end Alonzo Carmichael (6-5, 204) made second-team I-AA All-America and all-SC, leading the league with 55 catches for 587 yards. Junior Vince Nowell (46-686) and juco transfer Willie Haynes are good receivers, too. The running game returns fullback Billy Ray Jones, a three-year starter, and senior Milton Beck at tailback along with junior David Mayfield.



CHRIS CLARK
Virginia Military

However, the offensive line must be replaced because only junior Kevin Sowell (6-0, 242) is a regular at tackle. Junior Steve Hall (6-3, 235) was a starter two years ago, out with knee surgery last season. Place-kicker Kirk Roach, all-SC, hasn't missed a PAT in two years.

The defensive line has four starters returning: Geno Segers (6-3, 231) and Scott Arant (6-2, 234) at tackle, juniors Gary Wright (6-0, 224) and Greg O'Connor (6-4, 225) at end, the latter moving from a starting spot as linebacker. Everett Spellman (6-3, 226), as a linebacker, was second in tackles. He teams with Scott Lunsford on the inside, along with Billy Shepard and Kendall Rycroft.

The Catamounts are the dark horses of the Southern Conference. They are very young.

FURMAN

(12-2, 6-0) So many times have the Furman Paladins captured the Southern Conference championship, or challenged for the crown until late November, that is most difficult to think about the 1986 season. Furman will not contend, though. Aply replacing Dick Sheridan as head coach will be his long-time assistant, Jimmy Satterfield. His current problem is that Furman loses 17 of the 22 starters who won the SC title (again) and played in the I-AA national championship game, which they lost.

The offense was amazing last season, second in the national I-AA stats in rushing, first in

the SC with total offense (457.4 yards) and scoring (37.1 points) per game. But Satterfield has to start over. The only returning starter on the unit is split end Kirk Burnett, who caught 33 passes for 589 yards and four TDs.

Quarterback candidates are juniors Chris Speaks and Keith Moore, and they threw a total of 23 passes for 94 yards. The starting tailback, junior John Bagwell, has experience with 733 rushing yards and 13 TDs, and so does senior Greg Smith. Kenneth Goldsmith and Lee Wilkinson will compete at fullback. Backing Burnett among the receivers are senior Larry Grady and junior James Brown, and two juniors are at tight end: Tim Fox (6-6, 225) and Bill Duncan (6-2, 211). In the line are seniors Ralph Harper (6-0, 220), Paul Pendleton (6-2, 230), and Billy Cato (6-2, 226).

On the defensive unit there is a bit more experience, although only four starters return. Three of them are in the secondary: senior Steve Squire (five interceptions, 91 tackles), Jerome Norris (eight interceptions), and Benji Motte. Robert Little had five intercepts (of the team's 29). Junior Darryl Gardner and soph



TRENT BRIDGES

Jeff Blankenship move up as linebackers. But the line has some gaps. Only senior Tim Stepp was a starter on the championship team, and he will join Adrian Despres (6-6, 228) and Stan Davis (6-3, 221) at defensive end. Junior Al Peterson (6-2, 235) heads the tackles with Phillip Ferguson (6-2, 220). Battling for nose guard are juniors Brian Allison (6-2, 231) and Brad White (6-0, 230).

UT-CHATTANOOGA

(6-5, 5-2) In coach Buddy Nix's third season the picture is again bright, but there is still some rebuilding to be done. The offense will be called to respond—quickly. UTC will open the season with Auburn, and all of the 36 lettermen will be getting the season's No. 1 test right at the start.

Defensively, the Mocs did an outstanding job last season. They held six opponents to a



KIRK ROACH
Western Carolina

touchdown or less and ranked No. 1 in the Southern Conference in rushing and total defense, with only 82.8 yards rushing per opponent. That placed UTC No. 5 in the nation in I-AA. Seven starters return on the unit, which is led by all-conference tackle Mike Makins. He will team with Conrad Stokes (6-3, 262) and nose guard Tony Bolick (6-2, 241).

The linebackers and secondary are experienced. Senior Zach Ervin, second in tackles, returns as do Spanky Thomas and Greg Moore. In the secondary junior Reggie Solomon and senior Kenny Booker are again regulars, and senior Bryan Bergey will be back, a starter at times before injury last season.

UTC placed third in conference scoring last year, but only four starters return. Fullback Mitch Fontenot, who rushed 350 yards, is back. The tailbacks are Keith Montgomery and David Williams. Senior quarterback Tim Couch is a strong point for the Mocs, backed by sophomore Mark Hunter, who started one game. Couch, the No. 2 returning quarterback in the conference with a 102.77 passing efficiency rating, passed for 1,651 yards and 12 TDs. Wayne Koontz returns at split end, joined in the receiving line by sophomores Travis McNeal (6-3, 230), Quinton Alford (19 catches), and Danny Barnes. Junior Ben Smith (6-4, 260) returns at center. The guards are David Banks (6-2, 240) and Scott Campbell (6-2, 255) and the tackles Ronnie Dordan (6-1, 230) and Travis Bullard (6-0, 250).

VIRGINIA MILITARY

(3-7-1, 1-4-1) The junior class of Keydets will get the big football call at VMI, and there is optimism. It begins with third-year coach Eddie Williamson, whose three victories in 1985 equaled the total of the two previous seasons.

The defense gave up too much ground last fall (400.9 yards, which ranked next to last in the conference). The linebackers are juniors Kevin Washington, moved from defensive end, and Mike Wood. In the front are guard Dan Young (6-1, 250), a two-year starter, and Todd Freiwald (6-5, 224) at end. Teaming with them are Erich Diehl (6-1, 225) and walk-on Robert Susnar (6-4, 225).

In the secondary three starters return, but they will all be playing new spots. All-SC junior safety Mike Mayo is now at cornerback, while junior Chris Clark is now the "willbacker" in the eight-man front, and last year's WB is now a cornerback. Senior Jeff Brown has been brought over from the offense.

Offensively, the Keydets must replace quarterback Al Comer, who broke most of the VMI passing records, and wide receiver Steve Parham, a three-year starter and No. 2 in the Institute's catching records. VMI's passing attack was No. 1 in the conference, gaining 233.8 yards per game. Replacing Comer will be junior Chris Bunn (6-3, 203), who threw only eight passes, and sophomore Dave Brown. The corps of receivers is experienced: Wright (39 catches, 486 yards), Mark Stock

(31 catches, top SC mark of 19.5 yards per catch), Calvin Williams (11-146), and Keith Washington (27-482). Both starting halfbacks return: Trent Bridges and junior John Parrott, backed by Clifton Cooper and Ricky Zgol. The offensive line has experience, led by starting tackles Derrick Johnson (6-4, 245) and Phil Riggelman (6-2, 259). Greg Otey (6-3, 227) has been moved from guard to tight end, and Robert Burns (6-2, 228) returns at guard, teaming with Joe Hurley (6-3, 255).

MARSHALL

(7-3-1, 3-3-1) Those things which brought the Thundering Herd seven victories and the No. 4 spot in the Southern Conference football standings have changed. In fact, they're gone. The coach, Stan Parrish, who directed back-to-back winning seasons for the first time since the 1960s, has moved to Kansas State as head man. The quarterback, Carl Fodor, who set SC passing records, is gone.

The new coach of the Thundering Herd, George Chaump, from Indiana (Pa.), will run the option more and not pass 40 times a game. The Herd last season threw 422 times and rushed the ball only 322, getting a miserable 64.2 rushing yards per game. The defensive alignment will change to a 3-4 to get the linebackers more into the action.

Junior Dan Boring will get the call at quarterback, ahead of transfers John Gregory and Steve Zeller. Darryl Deboes and fullback Mike



MIKE McCoy
Marshall

McCoy, whose 335 yards rushing constituted about half of the team total, return in the backfield. Also back is flanker Keith Baxter. A definite plus is the place-kicking of sophomore John Mitchell, who ranked third in the conference, kicking 10 of 17 field goals.

Defensively, the Thundering Herd ranked third in the SC, mainly with a sound ground game. At the tackles are Tony Ballard (6-3, 246) and Shawn Finnan (6-2, 232), an honorable mention all-conference. At ends are Darryl Johnson (6-3, 233) and Bill Mendoza (6-2, 243). Returning linebackers are Jerome Hazard, Rondell Wannamaker, and Nicholas McKnight. Hazard had 97 tackles. In the secondary is free safety Todd Brown, credited with 107 tackles and having three intercep-



**GEORGE
CIMADEVILLA**
East Tennessee State

tions. He provides experience along with sophomores Ken Green and Stanley Hall.

EAST TENNESSEE STATE

(0-10-1, 0-7) Things have to get better, and close doesn't count. Coach Buddy Sasser's Buccaneers appreciate both of those old sayings. They went winless last season, and at least four of the contests were settled by a touchdown or less.

It is difficult to explain, but the Buccaneer rushing game was second-best in the Southern Conference, yet it could generate only 13.6 points per Saturday. The passing game was last in the league, with 38.6 percent accuracy worth just 848 total yards. The Bucs completed only 102 passes in the regular season—but 21 of them were caught by the opposition. Senior Herman Jacobs, with 835 yards, was the No. 3 rusher in the conference, and he will be backed by Darryl Phelps. Jeff Morgan returns at quarterback, battling JC transfer Ryan Beadle. There are seven returning starters in the unit, including receivers Sam Drown and Gerald Fritts. Guard Shawn Henry (5-11, 220) and tackle Mark Cook (6-4, 272) bolster the line, teaming with Bryan Morgan (6-1, 246) and Kurt Sutton (6-4, 228).

Only three starters on the defensive side will return for the coming campaign. Two of them are in the secondary, Pernel Latham and Charlie Benford, who has started every game for two years. Derrick Hollie has some experience. The linebackers are Henry Presley, Albert English, and Scott Sutton. Wayne Hall returns in the line, teaming with Billy Taylor at end, Darin Adams (6-2, 250) and Matt Toole at tackle, and nose guard Johnny Ilar (6-1, 241).

Once again, the saviour of the Bucs will be the nation's No. 1 punter in I-AA. Senior George CimaDevilla punted 66 times, averaging 44.7 yards—and 16 of his kicks were over 50 yards. He will have to continue.

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DELAWARE STATE

The Hornets prospered (5-0 in the MEAC, 9-2 overall) in their first season under coach William Collick, and the 1986 season could look like an instant replay to league rivals. Foes will be comforted to know that All-America wide receiver John Taylor has graduated, but the return of 14 starters means Delaware State retains plenty of ammunition.

Eight regulars are back on defense with tackle Dan Candeloro (6-2, 300) leading the list. The Hornets surrendered 112 yards per game on the ground a year ago and will be stingy again. Taking to the air is no picnic, either. Delaware State had 24 interceptions.

Six starters return to the offensive unit, and three earned all-MEAC honors last season. Tackle Chris Jones and guard Tony Danzey anchor the line, and fullback Terrance Hoover leads the ground game. The Hornets prefer to get the job done on the ground in their wing-T attack. Hoover stepped off 962 yards (96.2 per game, 8.6 per carry) and halfback Reggie Barnes added 595 (59.5 per game, 6.7 per carry). Quarterback Mike Walker split the duties a year ago and still passed for 836 yards, clicking on 53 percent with averages of 11.9 per completion and 117 per game.

NORTH CAROLINA A&T

The Aggies have been steadily improving in four seasons under coach Mo Forte, and 1986 should continue that trend. Experience abounds with 17 regulars returning.

The man who moves the Aggies is quarterback Alan Hooker, who completed 169 of 311 passes (54 percent) for 2,096 yards and 24 touchdowns last fall. He suffered only eight interceptions, and Forte believes the best is yet to come. Hooker's prime target will be Herbert Harbison, who caught 58 passes for 730 yards and five TDs last season. Juan Jackson and Stoney Polite top a deep corps of running backs. Guard Ken Cannon heads an experienced, but not deep, line.

Although yielding 23.7 points per game, the Aggies improved their defense by over 10 points a game in '85. Tackles Earnest Riddick and Frank Newman and back Chris Barber (four interceptions) lead the way. Replacing linebacker Johnny Coleman's 160 tackles is a problem, but the Aggies are encouraged by the results in spring drills.

The Aggies lost their first four games a year ago, being outscored 146-70, and the possibility of a disastrous season loomed. But they rebounded to win six of the last seven, finishing the stretch run with a 36-35 conquest of Mississippi Valley State. Look for more of the same this fall.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN

Although facing the prospect of plugging some big, big holes, coach Larry Little is not singing the blues. He likes a lot of things about his Bethune-Cookman Wildcats.

The first order of business will be settling on a quarterback to replace record-breaking passer Bernard Hawk. Junior Greg Ross and transfer Anthony Thomas are the primary candidates, and they ran neck-and-neck in spring practice. The Wildcats plan to throw, but with more emphasis on the rushing attack. Kevin Finnie and Andre Harper will move into the lineup at the running backs. They will operate

behind a veteran offensive line that paved the way for about 370 yards per game last season. Donava Fann (6-4, 252) heads the unit from his tackle spot and is a sure thing to repeat on the all-league team.

Only two players are missing from the defense that showed tremendous improvement in 1985. A good way to find the football is to watch defensive back Mark Irvin, who participated in 77 tackles, recovered six fumbles, intercepted three passes, and made four sacks last fall. He will be ably assisted by Avery McCray, a back who took part in 62 tackles and broke up eight passes. If Errol Laster can shake the injury bug, the defense will be even stronger. He's 6-2 and 220 and may move from end to linebacker. He's quick enough to get the job done.

HOWARD

The Bison began a rebuilding program under Willie Jeffries with two wins in 1984. The "W" total climbed to four in 1985 and another step forward is anticipated this season. Jeffries, who turned out a string of conference champs at South Carolina State in the 1970s, started only two seniors with 15 sophomores and five freshmen. The experience should be a king-sized plus this fall.

The weak spot in Howard's armor is not difficult to see. Foes struck for over 2,200 yards and 18 touchdowns through the air a year ago. An improved pass rush to assist the secondary is a primary goal this season. Marvin



HERMAN JACOBS
East Tennessee State

Jackson, now a junior and already the team's leading tackler twice in his career, will head the defense. All-MEAC nose tackle Billy Does and Curtis Stokes (14½ sacks) solidify the line, and Willie "Spanky" Johnson, who made 70 tackles in his freshman year, is proven in the secondary.

The Bison play it close to the vest on offense, which lured defenses to sleep and opened the door for some big pass plays a year ago. Tony McClain averaged 20.2 yards on his 30 catches and Curtis Chappell, the nation's No. 2 kickoff returner, caught three



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TD passes of over 50 yards. Lee DuBose started seven games his freshman season and improved with experience. He passed for 742 yards and rushed for 200. Juniors Harvey Reed (686 yards) and Ronnie Epps (400) will be starting running backs for the third straight year, working behind an experienced line.

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE

The Bulldogs went through a roller coaster ride in 1985. They beat Grambling on the road and played I-AA national finalists Furman and Georgia Southern to the wire before stumbling badly against lackluster opposition. Despite a 53-25-1 record and four MEAC championships in seven seasons, coach Bill Davis got the bum's rush from S.C. State officials. He resigned under pressure, and Dennis Thomas is the new coach.

Thomas, formerly an assistant at Alcorn State, stressed discipline and defense in spring drills. State surrendered 300 points en route to a 5-6 record, and Thomas “started from scratch” in the spring. He liked the progress but added, “We’re light years away from being competitive defensively.”

Junior tailback James Miller stole the show in the Bulldogs’ spring game with TD runs of 60 and 67 yards. The 5-9, 165-pounder finished with 160 yards rushing, proving that he has bounced back from a shoulder injury that knocked him out of the season’s final three games. Expect the S.C. State offense to stick primarily to the ground with quarterback Charles Glaze at the controls. Miller, Anthony Burgess, and Mike Summers will handle the bulk of the running. Roy Lee Ferguson, Harley Griffin, and Gary Bridges head the line.

MORGAN STATE

The Bears’ program is only a shadow of its former self with two straight winless seasons to show for the return to Division I-AA and the MEAC. Coach Jesse Thomas sees better days, but they won’t be in 1986. Despite an 0-9 record last fall, the Bears showed improvement and came within four points of both Howard and S.C. State. But Morgan scored more than one touchdown in only two games.

This will be the third season since the re-emphasis of football at Morgan, which means the Bears will still be without a senior class. “You’ve got to have experience,” Thomas says. “Until you have veterans to get used to the system, it’s tough.” Leslie Wilson returns at quarterback, and the Bears will look to Marco Kornegay to lead the ground attack. Reginald Burgess is proven at wide receiver.

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PRESBYTERIAN

The always competitive Blue Hose finished 7-3-1 in 1985, their first season under coach Elliott Poss. They’ve got the weapons to be better this fall, and even the cautious Poss can’t find too many dark clouds in the forecast. To be sure, Presbyterian faces some questions. The quarterback, senior Scotty Mazingo, will be starting for the first time, and absentees on the defensive front include All-America tackle Lawrence Jackson.

Only two starters are missing from the defense, the Blue Hose’s traditional strength and the SAC-8’s best a year ago. The new faces will join Jeff Bennett in the line, but Presbyterian is set otherwise. Rodney Berry, Sam Pinck-

ney, and Elliott Walker will again share the inside linebacker jobs and Harold Anderson and Bobby Jones return outside. Corners Kevin Wade and Tommy Quinn and safeties Kelvin Calwile and Stacey Drakeford are back in the secondary that intercepted 22 passes.

The offensive line will be built around center Charlie Patterson and guard Harry Palmer. Del Barksdale and John Clark put the receiving spots in good hands and Stevie Riggins and Jimmy Lindsey take care of the running chores. Riggins (5-6, 160) is proof that dynamite comes in small packages. He rushed for over 900 yards (second in the league) and averaged 19.4 yards on punt returns in earning freshman of the year honors last season.

Presbyterian’s three losses came by a total of 14 points, and the Blue Hose played a lot of underclassmen. The experience gained in ‘85 should pay handsome dividends this fall.

ELON

The Fighting Christians have posted consecutive 7-3 records in two seasons under coach Macky Carden, and 1986 should be at least that good. Twelve starters return, and this is one team that will not have to worry about problems in the offensive line.

Elon’s offensive front includes a pair of all-SAC-8 performers—6-5, 300-pound tackle Ricky Sigmon and 6-2, 250-pound guard Al Morrison—along with proven performers in Chuck Ward at tight end and Tony DePietto at guard. Fullback Mike O’Lari, who gained 700 yards to help Elon top the league in rushing offense last season, heads the backfield. All-league tailback Jonas Davis (1,173 yards rushing) must be replaced, and inexperience at quarterback could be a negative factor.

The defense, which lost All-America nose guard Grady Williams and all-SAC-8 back Mike Ferrell, will be constructed around linebackers Tony Settles and Russell Evans. Both earned spots on the all-league squad a year ago. Craig Custer will be counted on to carry the load at tackle and Tim Bines will headline the secondary. A plus is the return of all-conference place-kicker Paul Mullen.

NEWBERRY

Favored to win the title a year ago, the Indians opened impressively by beating NCAA Division I-AA national finalist Furman. But Mars Hill whipped them early and Elon did the same late to spoil Newberry’s championship dreams. Gone are record-breaking quarterback Jimmy Skipper, running back John Nesbitt, and all-star defensive back Ken Pressley. Running back Pete Bember and wide receiver Darryl Owings top the six regulars back from the SAC-8’s best offensive unit in ‘85. Bember picked up 924 yards on 162 carries and scored 10 touchdowns. Owings ranked third in the league, with 40 catches for 713 yards. The line, however, must be rebuilt.

The Indians’ defense should be improved with seven veteran starters on hand. Heading the cast are linebacker John Newkirk, back Sylvester Coleman (three interceptions), and tackle Chris Chrisley.

The Indians have improved each season under coach Clayton Johnson, climbing from 5-6 to 6-5 to 7-4 to 7-3-1. How well Newberry plugs the holes at quarterback and in the offensive line will tell if the trend continues.

MARS HILL

The Lions represented the surprise package for SAC-8 football a year ago with quarterback

Joe Pizzo the main reason. The transfer from Nevada-Reno stepped in and led the league in total offense (2,081 yards) en route to winning the offensive player of the year award. He returns, along with 11 other regulars, and that should guarantee another solid season. But they won't sneak up on the league again, and going 6-1, 8-3 this fall will be challenging.

With Pizzo (399 yards and seven TDs rushing, 1,696 yards and 16 TDs passing) in the backfield will be Pete Calhoun, who led the team in rushing a year ago with 660 yards. A major cog missing will be wide receiver Dale Similton, who caught 12 TD passes. All-league Terry Casey, Joe Zichichi, and tight end Walter Hawes head the offensive line that will be younger than coach Steve Patton would like. David Shealy, the school's career leader in points, is back to handle the place-kicking chores.

Jeff Blanchard is the lone regular returning to the defensive line, but the remainder of the unit is solid with linebacker Lee Marchman and back Kerry English (five interceptions) leading the way. Rodney Borders joins Marchman at linebacker and David Bennett is proven in the secondary.

GARDNER-WEBB

The Bulldogs have made steady progress in two seasons under coach Woody Fish, and another step forward should be forthcoming. "We're not ready to take over and win yet, but we're getting better. There's nobody on the schedule we can't compete with, but any of them can beat us, too," said Fish.

Although the Bulldogs have not settled on a quarterback, whoever wins the job will get the ball to running back Chris Posten and wide receiver Kelvin Richardson. They will operate behind a line that includes a pair of huge tackles, Jimmy Chappel (6-6, 295) and Mark Muller (6-7, 285).

The defense is solid with the secondary especially strong. Eric Brewton, who earned All-America honors a year ago, leads the backfield and is joined by Barry McCabe and Robert Hill. Brewton intercepted 10 passes last year, including four in the first game. Anchoring the line will be Delmonte Hugh, starting for the fourth year, and guard Darryl Griffin.

Adding more sparkle to the picture is what Fish calls "our best recruiting year. But this league is so tough that it's unreal."

CARSON-NEWMAN

After winning a national title and tying for another en route to a 20-5-1 record over two seasons, the Eagles tumbled last fall. But they finished strong, providing encouragement for the future. In addition to replacing 16 starters, Carson-Newman had three new assistant coaches a year ago and the transition took time. Throw in a wicked schedule in the early part of the season and the 2-4 start is not surprising. However, starting eight freshmen will provide experience that will pay dividends, beginning in 1986.

Pat Johnson, a game-breaker who starts at wide receiver and also returns kicks, will head the offense. Jay Floyd, a transfer from Georgia, should strengthen a young line, and Gary Noel, who enjoyed a successful freshman season in '85, will likely start at quarterback.

The defense must replace three-time All-America linebacker Pat Apke and All-America end Mark Isom, but coach Ken Sparks believes the unit will be solid. Fred Adams, who has been overshadowed by Apke, will be

back at linebacker and carry a big load. David Roberts, honorable mention on the All-America list last fall, returns at tackle. Don Bramlett fills the other tackle spot. Reggie Mays and Mike Schlechter anchor the secondary.

LENOIR-RHYNE

With only two players missing, the Bears can realistically expect to be an improved football team this fall. All 11 starters return on offense and points are all but guaranteed, but the defense must take a giant step before Lenoir-Rhyne can climb into the title picture.

Quarterback Brian Bryson will throw often, with All-America Terence Steward his prime target. Bryson completed 136 of 251 for 1,661 yards and nine touchdowns last fall. Steward caught 75 for 1,052 yards. Tight end Jeff Kiziah and guard Eric Brandon head the offensive line, and tailback Rex Tonkins (599 yards) provides a solid ground threat.

Defense is the problem. The Bears went 1-6, 3-8 last season and it's not hard to see why. They surrendered 402.5 yards per game, including 307.6 on the ground. Foes ran without fear. Coach John Perry hopes experience and maturity help his defenders, who will be led by linebacker Smith Sharpe. Middle guard Brad Griffith anchors the line and free safety Troy Roane is the top man in the secondary. A plus for the Bears is the play of their special teams, which blocked seven kicks last season.

CATAWBA

It's been a decade since the Indians posted a winning record, and overcoming that losing tradition is a problem. They went 5-6 last fall but only 2-5 in the SAC-8.

Defensive improvement is a must if Catawba is to climb over the .500 mark. The Tribe yielded 29.6 points per game against league foes in 1985. Linebackers Tim Sheff and Joe Crapster head the defense. Cullen Jordan is back at middle guard, and sophomore Keith Henry tops the secondary.

Catawba should move the ball. The line averages 270 pounds per man, and coach Pete Stout's forces found success with the wishbone over the final half of the season. Nine regulars return to the unit, with senior halfback Ray Littlejohn and senior guard Bill Viggers the top men. Littlejohn rushed for 839 yards last season, including 213 on 21 carries against Lenoir-Rhyne. Junior Brian Watts returns at quarterback, and seniors Jim Parent (638 yards rushing) and Reggie White (556) join Littlejohn in the backfield.

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WINSTON-SALEM STATE

Veteran coach Bill Hayes will try to plead poverty, talking of a poor spring practice and "some limitations." He speaks of youth in the lines and stresses the need "of some big boys who are mean and quick." Then he starts listing his assets: excellent linebackers and secondary, sound at quarterback, excellent running backs and receivers, and an all-conference center. Considering the Rams' 9-2 record in '85, all those assets seem to add up to another Southern title.

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Cole, Blalock, and Beasley all earned all-CIAA honors. Senior Dana Walker and sophomore Bobby Junior share the quarterback chores and Leonardo Horn and Lonnie Pulley provide an outstanding one-two rushing punch. Pulley gained 524 yards and scored six TDs; Horn tallied four times, gaining 485 yards. All-league center Barry Turner anchors the line.

Hayes, 73-31-2 in 10 seasons at Winston-Salem, mentions a lot of teams in surveying the conference races before talking about his own squad. Don't believe him. Instead, count on the Rams winning another division title.

NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL

Quarterback Earl Harvey introduced himself by firing for 3,190 yards and 22 TDs. With a year's experience under his belt, Harvey, now a sophomore, figures to cut down on his interceptions (19), improve his percentage (47.9), and add to the 28 school, nine conference, and seven NCAA Division II records he set last year. And he'll have plenty. Only four regulars are gone from the team that finished 4-3 in the CIAA South and 4-6 overall. Harvey will again throw to tight end Terrence McNeill (46 catches, 751 yards, five TDs), wide receiver Robert Clark (67-1,387-13) and wide receiver Robert Green (46-681-2). All earned berths on the CIAA all-star squad. Guard Willie Buckley (6-2, 245) and Anthony Sterling (6-0, 280) head the offensive line. The running game is expected to get more attention with Darryl Webb and Rodney Rivers leading the way. N.C. Central ranked third nationally in passing (330.3 yards per game) but averaged only 59.3 per game on the ground.

Coach Henry Lattimore will build his defense around his tackles: sophomores Kenneth Guidry, Stacey Grimsley, Fred Dunston, and Ronald Bethea. James Joyner heads the linebackers with Robert Massey, Gerald Mack, and Tony Lindsey proven in the secondary. The Eagles employed a lot of young players defensively a year ago, and it showed in a yield of 26.3 points per game. Lattimore predicts vast improvement this season.

FAYETTEVILLE STATE

Bronco quarterback Jerome Morgan ranked third in the league in both passing and total offense in 1985, and he's fighting to retain his starting job. That's how potent Fayetteville State's attack could be this fall. "At the start of practice, Reggie Luck is going to be listed the No. 1 quarterback," coach Robert Pulliam says. "That's a good indication of what our offense could be." Benji Knox (419 yards) returns at running back and will be seeking to lead the club in rushing for the fourth consecutive season. An experienced offensive line, headed by tight end Moses Ford, will be a definite plus. The unit helped the Broncos to a 3-3-1, 4-5-1 record last season.

The defense is another question. Only four regulars return, and Pulliam notes that "This is where we have to rebuild, and we have to do it in a hurry."

LIVINGSTONE

The Bears raised plenty of eyebrows around the CIAA last season, posting a 5-2 league mark to finish second in the Southern Division and going 7-3 overall. David Corley, in his first term, shared the conference coach of the year award. Gone now is the element of surprise and Livingstone will be without all-CIAA offensive tackle Kevin Cunningham. But the cupboard is not bare with 6-4, 265-pound sophomore Jerry Asbury, linebacker Angelo Chapman (second-team all-CIAA), ends Kevin

Grace and Gregory Bacot, and backs Russell Rice and Brian Dean. Rice ranked third in the conference in interceptions (with six) a year ago. Another plus is place-kicker Curtis Crockett, who ranked eighth in the league with 4.1 points per game.

Although not overwhelming in any category, Livingstone displayed nice balance with the defense significantly improved. The Bears climbed from 10th to fifth in points surrendered while keeping the offense consistent.

JOHNSON C. SMITH

The 1985 season will not be remembered with fondness by the Golden Bulls. They were 1-6 in the Southern Division and 1-9 overall.

Coach Horace Small spent spring drills striving to smooth out the error-prone wish-bone offense he installed last year. He must decide between quarterbacks Mel Westmoreland and Anthony Walker, and he is looking for increased production from leading rusher Tim Newman (426 yards).

Defense, especially pass defense, must be improved if the Bulls are to move upward in the standings. Although holding foes to 80.3 yards per game on the ground, Smith's passing defense yielded big plays by the bunches and over 200 yards per game. Anthony Byers, a second-team all-conference choice, and Anthony Linyard should lead the unit.

Actually, the Bulls played better than their record a year ago. Four games went into the loss column by a touchdown or less, and the CIAA division champions combined to beat Smith by a total of 12 points.

BOWIE STATE

David Dolch, who takes command of the Bowie State program, has no illusions of grandeur. "I expect some people who interviewed for the job promised a winning season," he says. "That's not realistic. We've got to stop the losing streak before we think about winning seasons." Ah, the losing streak. It's 21 games now, and it's well deserved. The Bulldogs scored only 42 points and surrendered 363 in 10 games last fall. They scored in only three games, came close to winning only once, and did not register a point after October 12.

The new coach is striving to create a new atmosphere and invited all the players who had given up on the program to return. Some have responded. But the Bulldogs had only four seniors a year ago, an obvious disadvantage. "You can't start with a new group every year," Dolch says. "We've got a lot of people who have never experienced winning a college game, and the first step is to win a game." One position with experience is quarterback, where Theo Wright and John Brown will battle to start. Outside linebacker Michael Barnes and backs Sam Meuse and Kevin Gaskins will lead the defense.

NORTHERN DIVISION

HAMPTON

With only four players missing from a 6-1, 11-2 club, the Pirates are justified in having great expectations about the 1986 season. They brought home the school's first CIAA title since 1931 a year ago, and they're primed to repeat. Hampton's defense remained its usual stingy self, permitting a mere 10.6 points per game. But the veer offense, installed by new assistant Mel Rose, put life in the attack and the Pirates' production zoomed from 11 to 24 points a game. And the offense won the key game, a 36-35 shootout over Norfolk State.

Receiver Darryl Skinner is Hampton's big-play man, and he never made bigger ones

than against Norfolk State. A world-class sprinter, he caught three touchdown passes—all from long range—and then scored on a 100-yard kickoff return. The bad news for opponents is that his brother, Herbert, joins the team this fall, and he's even faster. Running back Carl Painter benefited from the new-look offense and led the league in rushing with 1,170 yards. He also scored nine TDs and tallied the winning one in the fourth quarter of Hampton's 13-7 victory over Winston-Salem State in the conference championship game. Tackle Wendell Thorne and center Gary Westberry join Darryl Skinner and Painter in heading the offense this season. But they will be working with an inexperienced quarterback. Starter Marco Stacy graduated.

Defense will remain the pride and joy for head coach Fred Freeman, and the main man will be tackle Stanley Crowder.

NORFOLK STATE

Norfolk State's march to another CIAA title hit a roadblock in mid-October, and the championship dreams faded. The Spartans vow to make amends this fall. Coach Willard Bailey, who had a personal string of four league titles snapped in 1985, counts five regulars from the unit that led the nation in rushing defense (50.9 yards per game) and the top nine ground gainers.

Bailey, whose first three titles came at Virginia Union and the fourth at Norfolk State, saw his Spartans lose three of their final four games to ruin the fruits of a 5-1 start. The man he is counting on to prevent a similar collapse is defensive end Ted Bates, a junior with All-America possibilities. Bates (6-3, 230) averaged 5.4 tackles and led the league with 14 sacks for 134 yards in losses. Junior Johnny Washington protects the other flank, and sophomore linebacker James Stallings is all-star material, too.

Finding a replacement for Willie Gillus, the second-team all-CIAA quarterback who averaged 201 yards a game through the air, could be a problem. But seven offensive regulars return, headed by junior fullback Ken Dickens (531 yards rushing) and sophomore running back Tony Graves (340 yards).

The Spartans' 6-4 record is not in keeping with the standards set by Bailey, whose career mark is 122-40-4. Look for Norfolk State to improve the numbers this season.

VIRGINIA UNION

If experienced personnel is the key to success, the Panthers have no problems at all. Coach Joe Taylor returns 21 of his 22 starters from a 6-4 team.

The Panthers ranked among the national leaders in scoring defense with a yield of 11.1 points a game, and they will again be big and stingy. Nose tackle Paul Jones (6-5, 350) insures the middle will be clogged, and 6-3, 255-pound William Cooley is excellent at end. Mike Ragsdale heads the linebackers, and cornerbacks David Banks and Darron Woody lead a solid secondary.

The Panthers led the league in rushing with 221.9 yards per game and expect to do the same this fall. Fullback Adrian Wright, 6-0 and 245 pounds, ranked second in the CIAA with 809 yards, and halfback David Moore is proven. Tom Green provides an additional running threat, and transfer Ken Jones could challenge veteran William Smith for the quarterback job. The offense will operate behind a huge line built around tackles Ricky Brown (6-4, 300) and Derrick Wansley (6-3, 275).

ELIZABETH CITY STATE

The Vikings have taken a step forward in each of their three seasons under coach Thurlis Little, and the trend could continue this fall.

If Elizabeth City improves its 6-4 record of 1985, the passing game will be the primary reason. The Vikings throw perhaps 80 percent of the time, and the man at the helm will be Tim Warren. He started the '85 season in spectacular fashion, firing a 73-yard touchdown pass on his first possession and engineering a three-play scoring drive on his second. "And on his third possession, we carried him off the field," Little says. Warren is fully recovered from the leg injury, and his prime targets include Anthony Robinson (31 catches, 597 yards), Maude Ingram, and David Carroll. "The offense looked mighty good in the spring," Little says. Unfortunately for the Vikings, graduation hit hard on defense. Gone is all-star linebacker Tim Cofield, among others.

Lovers of aerial football should make the Elizabeth City-North Carolina Central game a "must see" this fall. They battled for over four hours and racked up over 1,500 yards of offense in the Vikings' 41-40 victory in '85.

VIRGINIA STATE

The lack of consistency plagued the Trojans en route to a 4-5-1 finish last season. They dealt Winston-Salem State its only regular-season setback and whipped Norfolk State for the fourth consecutive year, but they also experienced problems with lesser opposition. The defense played well enough, surrendering an average of only 14 points a game and leaving the offense (12.6 average, five games of one TD or less) to shoulder the blame.

Veteran coach George Moody will go with a pair of pair of proven quarterbacks to lead the offense. Senior Marshall Trotter moved ahead of '85 regular Sam Taylor and will get first crack at the job. Trotter broke the school single-game passing record passing record with almost 400 yards against Norfolk State. Darryl Brown (6-3, 310), all-CIAA, heads the offensive line from his tackle spot, and Mike Davis and Kim Price are quality receivers.

Kevin Hall, a pro prospect, will lead a veteran secondary that will include sophomore Bobby Shepherd. Hall ranked among the league leaders with five interceptions last fall.

If the recruiting class delivers the expected aid on defense and the Trojans can keep their yield in the same 14.0 range, perhaps they will be in the title picture.

ST. PAUL'S

Larry Blackstone takes command of the Tigers' program for the first time and inherits a squad with some positive possibilities. But St. Paul's plays in the CIAA North, and that's a tough, tough league. Blackstone finds 17 starters among his 45 lettermen and expects defense to be the Tigers' strength. And no wonder. Ten starters are back from the unit that held the last six foes to no more than two touchdowns. Unfortunately, points did not come easily and St. Paul's finished with a 2-8 mark. All-CIAA defensive back Franklin Jeffries (eight interceptions, two fumble recoveries, 96 tackles) will be the ringleader on defense. Middle guard Raymond Daniels will anchor the line. Linebacker Hugh Drew is another solid player.

Blackstone has junked the wing-T formation and installed a pro-set on offense in an effort to generate more points. One man sure to deliver is wide receiver Paul Pierce, who led the Tigers in receptions last season.

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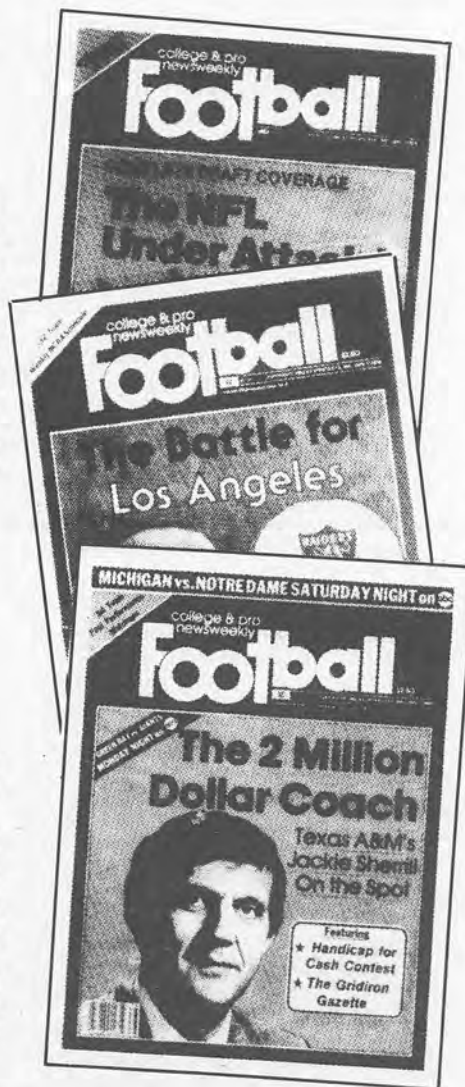
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		5 at Philadelphia ¹⁴⁴ (+2)(+2)	
		11 Los Angeles ¹⁴⁰ (+3)(+3)	
		18 St. Louis ¹⁴¹ (+3)(+3)	
		25 N. Y. Giants ¹³⁸ (+8)(+8)	
		1 at New Orleans ¹³⁴ (+8)(+8)	
		8 at San Fran ¹⁴⁰ (+8)(+8)	
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		29 at Tampa Bay ¹⁴¹ (+3)(+4)	
		14 at Los Angeles	
		20 Cincinnati	

COLLEGE MATCHUPS

(43) Missouri (-6) at Kansas (44)

MISSOURI

Warren Powers (29-18)
Off: Veer
PR: 107-109-110

1981 Schedule

S. 12 Army⁷⁰ (+22)(+21)
19 Rice⁷⁷ (+15)(+15)
26 Louisville⁸⁹ (NL)(NL)
O. 3 at Miss. St.¹¹⁵ (-5)(-7)
10 Kansas St.⁷⁵ (+2)(+3)
17 at Iowa St.⁹⁹ (+18)(+20)
24 Nebraska¹²² (-4)(-7)
31 Oklahoma St.⁹² (+13)(+12)
N. 7 at Colorado⁷⁵ (+13)(+13)
14 Oklahoma¹²⁴ (-7)(-7)
21 at Kansas

RETURN

Lettermen 37
Starters (Off) 3
Starters (Def) 5

Game No. 10

Turnovers once again hurt the Sooners of Oklahoma. They fumbled nine times, losing six of them en route to a loss. Bob Meyer rushed for 108 yards and one touchdown lead the Tigers to the upset.

OKLA		MO	
1st Downs	16	3	10
Rushes-Yds.	54-296	50-222	
Passing Yds.	102	138	
Return Yds.	22	13	
Passing	8-19-2	11-25-1	
Punts	5-41.0	7-45.3	
Fumbles-lost	9-6	2-1	
Penalties-Yds.	7-69	9-64	

Totals After 10 Games

MO		OPP.	
1st Dns.	171	135	
Rsh. Att.	482	459	
Rsh. Yds.	1578	1446	
Avg. Rsh.	3.3	3.2	
Ps. Comp.	145	126	
Ps. Att.	284	256	
Ps. Yds.	1820	1176	
Had Int.	14	18	
Ret. Yds.	481	205	
Punts	74-39.1	77-40.2	
Fum-lost	35-17	41-24	
Pen-Yds.	58-519	59-480	

POINTS

MO		OPP.	
Total Pts. (Avg.)	246(24.6)	123(12.3)	
Home Pts. (Avg.)	189(26.7)	72(10.3)	
Away Pts. (Avg.)	57(19.0)	51(17.0)	

POINTS SPREAD

HOME		AWAY	
Actual Record	5-2	2-1	
Spread Record	4-2	2-1	
Record as Favorite	3-1	1-1	
Record as Underdog	1-1	1-0	
Favorite vs. Spread	2-2	1-1	
Underdog vs. Spread	2-0	1-0	

Series Record: Missouri 42-38-9

Last Game: 1980; Missouri (-10) 31, Kansas 6

No longer in the Big Eight race, Missouri and Kansas still look to finish the season, good ones for both, on a strong note... Missouri started out blazing but then stumbled some once conference play began... The Tiger coach, Warren Powers, has to be pleased with this year's inexperienced bunch which is led by a stellar defensive squad and quarterback Mike Hyde on offense...

Prediction: Kansas 20, Missouri 13

KANSAS

Don Fambrough (14-16-2)
Off: Pro-Set
PR: 83-81-82

1981 Schedule

S. 5 at Tulsa (NL)(NL)
12 Oregon¹⁰⁵ (-2)(-1)
26 Kentucky¹⁰¹ (+3)(+5)
O. 3 Arkansas St. (NL)(NL)
10 Okla. St.⁹¹ (+4)(+4)
17 at Oklahoma¹²³ (-17)(-20)
24 Kansas St.⁷⁴ (+11)(+12)
31 at Nebraska¹²² (-26)(NL)
N. 7 at Iowa St. (-15)(-12)
14 Colorado⁷⁴ (+9)(+9)
21 Missouri

RETURN

Lettermen 43
Starters (Off) 4
Starters (Def) 7

Game No. 11

Opponent's Power Rating

Opening & Closing Points Spread

Points Spread Result

Game Result

S. 12 Army⁷⁰ (+22)(+21)
19 Rice⁷⁷ (+15)(+15)
26 Louisville⁸⁹ (NL)(NL)
3 at Miss. St.¹¹⁵ (-5)(-7)
St. 75 (+18)(+20)

L 24-10
W 42-10
34-3

Totals After 10 Games

KAN		OPP.	
1st Dns.	149	164	
Rsh. Att.	487	469	
Rsh. Yds.	1529	1837	
Avg. Rsh.	3.1	3.9	
Ps. Comp.	93	88	
Ps. Att.	187	184	
Ps. Yds.	1183	893	
Ret. Yds.	270	438	
Punts	66-43.6	57-39.4	
Fum-lost	31-14	25-12	
Pen-Yds.	57-555	48-378	

POINTS

KAN		OPP.	
Total Pts. (Avg.)	169(16.9)	174(17.4)	
Home Pts. (Avg.)	108(18.0)	76(12.7)	
Away Pts. (Avg.)	61(15.3)	98(24.5)	

POINTS SPREAD

HOME		AWAY	
Actual Record	5-1	2-2	
Spread Record	2-2-1	1-1	
Record as Favorite	2-2	0-0	
Record as Underdog	1-0	1-1	
Favorite vs. Spread	1-2-1	0-0	
Underdog vs. Spread	1-0	1-1	

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independents

1. Penn State, 2. Syracuse, 3. West Virginia,
4. Boston College, 5. Pittsburgh, 6. Navy,
7. Army, 8. Rutgers, 9. Temple,
10. Northeastern

ivy league

1. Penn, 2. Yale, 3. Harvard,
4. Cornell, 5. Brown, 6. Princeton,
7. Dartmouth, 8. Columbia

colonial league

1. Colgate, 2. Holy Cross, 3. Lehigh,
4. Lafayette, 5. Bucknell, 6. Davidson

yankee conference

1. Delaware, 2. Richmond, 3. Massachusetts,
4. Maine, 5. Rhode Island, 6. New Hampshire,
7. Boston University, 8. Connecticut

little three

1. Amherst, 2. Williams, 3. Wesleyan

pennsylvania conference

eastern division

1. West Chester, 2. Bloomsburg,
3. Millersville, 4. East Stroudsburg,
5. Kutztown, 6. Cheyney, 7. Mansfield

western division

1. Indiana, 2. Clarion, 3. Shippensburg,
4. Edinboro, 5. California,
6. Lock Haven, 7. Slippery Rock

returns 34 lettermen, including turnaround quarterback Don McPherson, from last year's team that posted an 8-3 record before losing to Maryland, 35-18, in the Cherry Bowl. West Virginia likewise should be even stronger with the firm foundation Don Nehlen has established at Morgantown. The Mountaineers squeezed Syracuse, 13-10, in the Carrier Dome finale to climax a 7-3-1 season, but were disappointed when their string of four consecutive bowl appearances ended. Their veteran defensive unit claims a mammoth front three "as good as any in America."

Look for Boston College to rebound from its post-Doug Flutie recession during which the Eagles won just four of 12 games. Coach Jack Bicknell still has several starters among 43 returning lettermen, including all-star tailback Troy Stradford, who missed most of 1985 with a hamstring injury. Mike Gottfried, the only new head coach in the East Indies ranks, takes over downtrodden Pittsburgh with "a sense of urgency." He inherits from fired Foge Fazio's 5-5-1 squad 44 veterans, plus other candidates, but not without some lingering problems. If he can solve those, the Panthers could return to the prow of old.

Fitting the other four major Eastern independents into probable proper places in preseason rankings is difficult. So much so, the temptation is there to attach the names to a

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wall, don a blindfold, and throw darts. Positions could juggle as the season progresses.

Navy graduated two-time All-America running back Napoleon McCallum. But skipper Gary Tranquill still has a large number of holdovers from a team that capped a deceiving 4-7 record with a 17-7 conquest of favored Army. Smooth sailing looms just ahead for the Middies. Jim Young faces a gigantic rebuilding task at Army after 8-3-1 and 9-3 seasons, including victories in West Point's first-ever bowl appearances. The fourth-year coach believes replacements are adequate, though, for extended success in 1986.

Rutgers is rebounding from a disastrous 2-8-1 campaign marred by a staggering string of injuries. Coach Dick Anderson grew tired of looking at medical reports as 18 starters missed from two to nine games. He has to think, and hope, things will be much better this year. Bruce Ariens is expecting the best team in his four years at Temple. But the Owls will have difficulty improving on their 4-7 record

● Penn State re-established clear-cut superiority in Eastern college football last fall. The Nittany Lions roared from a rare (for them) 6-5 record in 1984 to a perfect 11-0 regular season mark and No. 1 national ranking. But they bowed to Oklahoma, 25-10, in that Orange Bowl showdown for the national championship and had to settle for a third-place finish in the polls.

Shed no tears for long-time coach Joe Paterno, though. He's loaded for another legitimate shot at the title in Penn State's 100th year of intercollegiate football. No fewer than 37 of the top 44 players from last year's squad are back, plus all-star specialists in place-kicker Massimo Manca and punter John Bruno. The Lions also will celebrate their centennial campaign with a tough but attractive schedule showing seven home games.

While Penn State stands head and shoulders over all regional challengers, Syracuse seems set for yet another step forward in its recent resurgence. Coach Dick MacPherson

because of a rugged schedule which includes just four home games.

If a couple of final spring intrasquad games were any indication, high scoring will be a feature in this region. Penn State came up with a 32-32 stalemate, while West Virginia produced a 31-28 windup. Paterno considers it "a luxury" rather than cause for renewed controversy to have both John Shaffer and Matt Knizner at quarterback. Besides McPherson, other outstanding signal-callers include Bill Byrne at Navy, Shawn Holloran at Boston College, Lee Saltz at Temple, and Joe Gagliardi at Rutgers.

Penn State's D.J. Dozier, who's again healthy, and Temple's Paul Palmer, the nation's second-leading rusher and all-purpose runner, are two of the finest running backs around. Troy Stradford could be, too, if he can avoid injury. And Pittsburgh has its best bunch of steppers in a decade, or since Tony Dorsett strutted his stuff for the Panthers.

The East also owns some of the most proficient and productive pass receivers in the land. Those include Scott Schwedes of Syracuse, Kelvin Martin of B.C., and Willie Marshall of Temple. The tallest target belongs to West Virginia, which switched 6-6 John Talley from quarterback to H-back, where he's considered a triple-threat.

There's a smattering of stickouts at various other positions, too. But Penn State appears too powerful for any of the others to catch in the run for the Lambert Trophy, symbolic of "Beast of the East."

Again, Penn is mightier than any of the other swords of the Ivies. The Quakers are going for their fifth straight league crown and, if successful, would be only the second team in Ivy history to do so. New Penn coach Ed Zubrow takes over from Jerry Berndt and has plenty of ammunition. While Penn is the clear front runner, the rest of the Ivy appears to be competitive and the bottom clubs seem to have improved themselves. Harvard and Yale should mount the most serious runs at mighty Penn. Brown turned the corner last year and should continue on the up. Cornell surged at the end and welcomes an outstanding group from its freshman team. Dartmouth's Joe Yukica is back and will try to show it was a good decision—even if it had to be made in a court of law. Princeton beat both Harvard and Yale last year and won four of its final five Ivy games, but will miss quarterback Doug Butler, its all-time leading passer. Larry McElreavy, the latest coach at lowly Columbia, has been associated only with winners until now. He was an assistant for 10 years at Penn, Yale, and Dartmouth before taking over at New Haven and improving that program.

This time a year ago, it appeared the grand idea for the Colonial League would spin itself out before it had taken root. The proposed member schools agreed philosophically but couldn't agree on some of the limitations that philosophy included. But somehow the Colonial League has been formed and will stagger into the 1986 season. Its champion will be decided on overall record since the schedules do not yet reflect that there is a League. Six private Division I-AA schools comprise the football-only conference: Bucknell, Colgate, Davidson, Holy Cross, Lafayette, and Lehigh. The league will embrace an Ivy League philosophy: it will eventually allow no spring season except for one day of workouts, and allow

no athletic scholarships. No teams will compete in the NCAA playoffs, although there's been talk of an eventual playoff against the Ivy champ. The new league has three new coaches: George Landis at Bucknell, Mark Duffner at Holy Cross, and Hank Small at Lehigh.

For the first time since Vermont dropped out and Boston University checked in back in the 1970s, the Yankee Conference will have a new look. Delaware and Richmond (Richmond a Yankee?) are the new members of the 38-year-old football league, making the battle for the beanpot this year an eight-team affair. New members aren't supposed to make notable impacts their first years in the competition, but this year could be different. Rhode Island, the defending champion, has heavy losses from the team that went through the league unbeaten and made the semifinals of the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs. Gone is quarterback Tom Ehrhardt, who passed for an amazing 4,505 yards and 42 touchdowns and broke many of the New England records held by Boston College's Doug Flutie. When in doubt, go with the team with the best quarterback, so make Delaware the title favorite. The Blue Hens still have Rich Gannon (2,019 yards in total offense last fall) and he's enough to give the rest of the league problems. Making his head coaching debut will be 35-year-old Jim Reid at Massachusetts.

The Little Three pendulum swung to Amherst five years ago, and the Lord Jeffs aren't planning to shake the winning habit. Before they got it going, Williams was the ruler for 10 years. "It goes in cycles and we're on that curve on the way back," observes veteran Williams' coach Bob Odell. And 27-year coach Jim Ostendarp of Amherst concedes, "It's going to be hard to match what we've accomplished the last few years." Amherst has lost only four games the last four years and the Lord Jeffs still have to be regarded as favorites as they try for an unprecedented sixth straight Little Three title.

1986 all-east team

offense

Quarterback . . . Don McPherson . . . JR . . . Syracuse
Running back . . . D.J. Dozier . . . SR . . . Penn State
Running back . . . Paul Palmer . . . SR . . . Temple
Running back . . . Troy Stradford . . . SR . . . B.C.
Wide receiver . . . Scott Schwedes . . . SR . . . Syracuse
Wide receiver . . . Willie Marshall . . . SR . . . Temple
Wide receiver . . . Kelvin Martin . . . SR . . . B.C.
Tight end . . . Rob Dickerson . . . SR . . . Army
Tackle . . . Randy Dixon . . . SR . . . Pitt
Tackle . . . Steve Trapilo . . . SR . . . B.C.
Guard . . . Lee Getz . . . SR . . . Rutgers
Guard . . . Jim Ostrowski . . . SR . . . B.C.
Center . . . Joe Manausa . . . SR . . . Army
Place-kicker . . . Massimo Manca . . . SR . . . Penn State

defense

Lineman . . . Tony Woods . . . SR . . . Pitt
Lineman . . . Ted Gregory . . . JR . . . Syracuse
Lineman . . . Jeff Lucas . . . SR . . . West Virginia
Lineman . . . Tim Johnson . . . SR . . . Penn State
Lineman . . . David Grant . . . JR . . . West Virginia
Linebacker . . . Shane Conlan . . . SR . . . Penn State
Linebacker . . . Matt Smith . . . SR . . . West Virginia
Linebacker . . . Bill Romanowski . . . JR . . . B.C.
Linebacker . . . Tyrone Stowe . . . SR . . . Rutgers
Back . . . Marc Fittle . . . SR . . . Navy
Back . . . Teryl Austin . . . JR . . . Pitt
Back . . . Travis Curtis . . . SR . . . West Virginia
Back . . . Markus Paul . . . SO . . . Syracuse
Punter . . . John Bruno . . . SR . . . Penn State

independents

PENN STATE

Penn State is loaded with both talent and tradition going into its 100th season of intercollegiate football. The Nittany Lions clearly look the class of the East and should be in the thick of the race again for the national championship. That eluded them last year when they roared through the schedule undefeated only to bow to Oklahoma in the title-settling Orange Bowl and wind up No. 3 in the polls.

Coach Joe Paterno has 53 lettermen, including 17 starters and both kickers, returning from that 11-1 squad. And the schedule for this centennial campaign, though difficult as usual, shows that seven of the 11 games will be played in Happy Valley's Beaver Stadium. But Paterno is adopting a cautious approach to his 21st year as the Lions' ringmaster. He insists that even if they play as well as they did in 1985, they "will lose four games this time." Same ol' Joe.

Offensively, he's looking for more productivity from the passing game and improvement in the line. There will be tested, dependable depth at every position, with 19 of last year's top 22 offensive players back. The backfield remains intact two-deep. John Shaffer and Matt Knizner are at quarterback, All-America candidate D.J. Dozier and David Clark at tailback, Steve Smith and Tim Manoa at fullback, and Eric Hamilton, Michael Timpson, and Sid Lewis at flanker. All are seniors

D.J. DOZIER



except Timpson, a sophomore. Shaffer completed 103 of 228 passes for 1,366 yards and eight touchdowns last year. Knizner saw very little action but was slightly more accurate on his throws and is pressing Shaffer. The dazzling Dozier, limited by injuries, rushed for 723 yards and added 87 yards on 14 receptions. He'll be better than ever if he stays healthy.

Split end Ray Roundtree caught a team-high 15 passes for 285 yards, while four others had 12 or more receptions. Other experienced wideouts are senior Darrell Giles and junior Jim Coates. Senior Brian Siverling (6-

6½, 240) is likely successor to the departed Dean Dimidio at tight end. Four senior starters return to the line: tackles Stan Clayton (6-3, 255) and Chris Colin (6-3, 275), guard Mitch Frerotte (6-3, 255), and center Keith Radecic (6-1, 260). They will be pushed by tackles Stephen Davis (6-6½, 277), Dan Morgan (6-6½, 265), and Mark Sickler (6-3, 255); guards Rich Kuzy (6-3, 250) and Steve Wisniewski, and centers Merlin Swartzentruber (6-1, 260) and Mike Wolf (6-3½, 260).

Eighteen of the top 22 defensive players return. The line should be one of the chief strengths. Ends Don Graham (6-2, 240) and Bob White (6-2½, 240) and tackles Tim Johnson (6-3, 250) and Mike Russo (6-1, 260) are holdover regulars and seniors. Penn State always has been noted for its great linebackers and this year will be no exception. Senior All-America Shane Conlan (6-3, 225) is back at an outside spot and junior Trey Bauer (6-1, 215) returns inside. Other OLBs are senior



DON MCPHERSON
Syracuse

Greg Johns and Chris Collins, with junior Pete Giftopoulos and seniors Mike Beckish and Kurt Bernier veterans inside. Cornerback Duffy Cobbs and free safety Ray Isom, both seniors, are the only holdovers in the secondary, and this concerns Paterno. Juniors Dwayne Downing and Marques Henderson and sophs Eddie Johnson, Gary Wilkerson, and Sharrod Rainge are candidates to replace the graduated Lance Hamilton and Michael Zordich.

The kicking game again should be excellent, with John Bruno as punter and Massimo Manca as place-kicker. These two seniors along with kick returners Jim Coates, Blair Thomas, and Timpson ranked among the national leaders in 1985.

Paterno has been around for more than a third of Penn State's previous 99 seasons, including 16 as an assistant coach. His 187 victories, compared with only 44 defeats and two tries, rank him second in the nation among active coaches. Only two others have winning percentages higher than his 80.8. The Nittany Lions are equally proud of their all-time NCAA record of 47 consecutive non-losing seasons.

SYRACUSE

MacPherson and McPherson remain the principal proprietors at Syracuse. Together, coach Dick and quarterback Don guided the Orange to a third consecutive winning season in 1985 and its first bowl appearance since 1979. They have good reason to anticipate even better results this year.

After the team lost two of its first three games at Mississippi State (30-3) and Virginia Tech (24-10), McPherson (without the "a") became the No. 1 signal-caller in the fourth game. Syracuse proceeded to go 6-2 the remainder of the regular season, bowing only to then-top-ranked Penn State (24-20) and West Virginia (13-10). During that span, the offense averaged 363.1 yards and 26.9 points a game and the sparkling sophomore quarterback set school records for passing yardage (2,469) and touchdown tosses (12). He also was the team's leading rusher, with 489 yards. Despite McPherson's 315 yards in total offense, Maryland defeated Syracuse, 35-18, in the Cherry Bowl.

The offense should continue to grow. Senior Scott Schwedes is a superb wideout who caught 34 passes for 692 yards and six touchdowns in 1985. He also excelled as a punt returner with 24 for a gaudy 16.0-yard average and two scores. Other experienced receivers include Tommy Kane and Deval Glover. Tailbacks Robert Drummond, Byron Abraham, and Walter Moseley make that position stronger, with Chris Barnes the likely successor to Roland Grimes at fullback. Former starter Mike Kmetz will back up McPherson at quarterback. Pat Davis and Pat Kelly are the leading candidates at tight end. Senior Jim Leible (6-4, 245) returns at center and senior Tom Watson (6-1, 256) at guard. In addition, senior Shawn Garrity (6-3, 250), a projected starter who had to miss last season with an injury, is back at tackle. Sophomore Craig Stoeppel (6-4, 270) could be the other starting tackle, with senior Ken Jenkins (6-1, 255) taking over a guard post.

Defensively, Syracuse is bound to miss consensus All-America tackle Tim Green. Coach Mac knows you simply don't replace such an outstanding player. But he's hoping junior Paul Frase (6-6, 263) will become a standout at tackle, where he moved from backup nose guard. Senior Wes Dove (6-6, 265) will be the other tackle in the Orange's 3-4 alignment, with junior Ted Gregory returning at nose guard. Gorgory has developed into one of the best middle men around. Linebacking looms as the strength of the Orange defense this year. Tim Pidgeon, the top tackler last season, returns to an inside spot. Keith Friberg, Roger Remo, and Doug Pina are the other likely starting linebackers. Senior Pete Ewald, who missed most of last season, should bolster Syracuse's young secondary at either cornerback or strong safety. Markus Paul, the nation's sixth-leading pass-interceptor in 1985, is the free safety again. Sophs Cooper Gardiner and Jeff Mangram also have starter experience.

Junior Tim Vesling is taking over the place-kicking job from graduated record-holder Don McAulay. Senior Jim Fox is an excellent punter, having averaged 41.4 yards last year.

WEST VIRGINIA

A closing 13-10 upset of bowl-bound Syracuse in the Carrier Dome gave the 1985



JEFF LUCAS
West Virginia

Mountaineers a respectable 7-3-1 record. Neither the coaches, players, nor fans were content, though. The school's unprecedented string of four consecutive postseason appearances was snapped. West Virginia had lost decisively to three other bowl teams (Penn State, Maryland, and Virginia) before finally settling on Mike Timko as its quarterback.

Timko is back. So are 13 other starters, an additional 25 lettermen, and numerous red-shirt freshmen. But Timko, a 6-2, 195-pound sophomore, must fight off the challenge of Benny Reed, an outstanding junior-college transfer who was impressive in the spring. Timko completed 44 of 84 passes for 547 yards in just three starts. Regardless of who wins the nod, Don Nehlen feels considerably better about the quarterback situation going into his seventh season as head coach. One reason for this is that John Talley, a 6-6, 220-pound junior, has been switched from that position to a flexible H-back role. He's not only a tall target for passes but also poses a threat to run or throw. Talley sparked in the spring, as did tailbacks John Holifield, Undra Johnson, and Pat Randolph. Rookie Roman Nelson is another fine running back. Fullback remains a question, with senior Chris Peccon and Ed Hill vying for No. 1.

Senior Harvey Smith leads an otherwise young, nifty receiving corps that includes holdovers Robert White, Calvin Phillips, and Grantis Bell. All-America tackle Brian Jozwiak is gone, the number seven pick of the NFL draft. But senior guards Gary Pounds (6-3, 264) and John Barton (6-2, 270) and junior tight end Gary Basil return. Sophomore Kevin Koken (6-3, 250) is the projected starter at center. Sophomores Brian Smider (6-4, 268) and Milton Redwine (6-4, 275) are the leading tackle candidates, with soph Rick Phillips (6-5, 270) figuring at either tackle or center. Still another second-year man, John Stroia (6-5, 260), could be a factor at guard.

Defensively, the Mountaineers should be even stronger than usual, with seven returning regulars. The front three of nose guard David Grant (6-4, 267) and tackles Jeff Lucas (6-7, 282) and Brad Hunt (6-3, 282) could be as good as any in America. Young backups Pat Marlatt (6-7, 250), Chris Parker (6-4, 290), and John Moses (6-2, 250) have potential, too. Senior Matt Smith is an all-star candidate at one

outside linebacker, with soph Robert Pickett the likely starter at the other. Freshman Rodney Wilson and sophomore Darren Whitten are solid backups. Sophomore Eric Lester and freshman Darnell Warren loom as new starters at inside linebacker, ahead of senior Jeff Casto and junior John Kempf. Linebacking has been a traditionally strong area for West Virginia, and Nehlen doesn't foresee any weakening either inside or outside. Seniors Travis Curtis and Larry Holley and junior Stacy Smith are holdover starters in the secondary. The other spot will go to one of four experienced sophomores: Willie Edwards, Dave Lockwood, Brad Metheny, and Bo Orlando.

Soph Charlie Baumann, the team's leading scorer last fall, was booming field goals from more than 60 yards in the spring. The likely replacement for the record-setting punter Steve Superick is Curt Carion, also a soph.

Nehlen, whose six-year record is 48-22-1, needs just 10 victories to tie the Mountaineers'

receptions for 469 yards; sophomore Tom Waddle, and senior Shawn Dombrowski, who missed most of the year with an injury.

The Eagles' running attack looks powerful and deep. Stradford, with 2,316 yards, needs only 444 to break the school rushing record. Other experienced tailbacks include Tyrone Taylor, Jim Bell, and Tracy Giles. Junior Jonathan Bronner (6-2, 225) is the leading candidate at fullback, ahead of seniors Willie Hislop and Jim Turner. Two-year letterman Peter Casparriello will be the tight end, where seniors Sean Murphy and Kyle Huggins also figure. All-star candidate Steve Trapilo (6-2, 281) can play at either tackle or guard. Other solid starters returning to the offensive line are center Darren Twombly (6-4, 263), tackles Dave Widell (6-6, 278) and Joe Wolfe (6-5, 273), and guard Jim Ostrowski (6-2, 270). Senior tackle Jeff Oliver (6-3, 273) also is available, along with top newcomers Jeff Simpson (6-5, 272) and Doug Widell (6-4, 264). Few teams will out-beef the Eagles up front.

The defense looks seasoned and strong, despite the loss of Outland Trophy winner Mike Ruth. Junior Bill Thompson is a two-year starter and standout at end. Battling for the nod at the other flank are lettermen Eric Lindstrom, Rick Nickeson, and former linebacker Andy Hemmer. All-star tackle candidate John Hosa (6-4, 258) returns. Ditto co-starters Mike Degnan (6-4, 253) and Tom Porell (6-3, 257), who also will see action at nose guard. Dave Nugent (6-3, 266) is another experienced middle man. Junior Bill Romanowski (6-3, 224), who led the team in tackles last fall, and three-year starter Ted Gaffney (6-2, 223) head a rugged array of linebackers. Others include holdovers John Galvin, Mike Saylor, and Bill Smithers, plus newcomers Pat Murphy and Ron Perryman. The defensive secondary should be better, with senior safeties Karl Kreshpane and Carl Pellegata back. They're joined by Gerrick McPhearson, Vinnie Munn, and Cecil Ricks.

PITTSBURGH

Mike Gottfried felt "a sense of urgency" when he left Kansas to succeed Foge Fazio as Pitt's head coach. He had turned around a losing program there in three years and faced a simi-

lar task here. Fazio was fired after back-to-back 3-7-1 and 5-5-1 seasons. Neither set of figures was acceptable to Pitt partisans, who last spring celebrated the 10th anniversary of a national championship team.

The first thing Gottfried set out to do was re-establish discipline. He dismissed some players and put others on probation. Then he went about the spring assessing the talents of 44 returning lettermen and other candidates. He also hired a nearly all-new coaching staff, including Chuck Klausning from crosstown Carnegie-Mellon as assistant head coach.

The Panthers' chief strengths lie in a potentially powerful offense. Gottfried prefers a balanced attack, but the accent will be on running. Junior Charles Gladman, who became the first Pitt sophomore since Tony Dorsett to crack the 1,000-yard mark, is a fancy stepper bidding for national attention. Craig Heyward, the top rusher two years ago, has been switched from tailback to fullback, all 260 pounds of him, after a one-year suspension for disciplinary reasons. Tom Brown, a first-rate runner and blocker, returns at fullback along with 1985 backup Ezekial Gadson. Soph Brian Davis, who missed spring drills to concentrate on his studies, will challenge Gladman at tailback in the fall.

Quarterback remains a question mark, despite the return of John Congemi for a fifth year. He looked sharp in the spring, but juniors Sal Genilla and Joe Felitsky also impressed the new coach. Improvement is sought in a receiving corps headed by senior flankers Chuck Scales and Matt Stennett and holdover split ends Reggie Williams and Michael Stewart. Scales led the way last season with 34 receptions for 446 yards. Darren Gillaspie, a redshirt freshman, had an impressive spring. Senior Pat Schipani and junior David Shuck are battling for the nod at tight end.

All-America tackle candidate Randy Dixon (6-4, 286) anchors a strong line. He's powerful, quick, and compared favorably with former Pitt All-America Bill Fralic. Sophomore guard Mark Stepnoski (6-3, 255) has great potential and will play alongside Dixon. Chip Backauskas (6-1, 263) returns at center but must fight off Ed Miller, who missed last season. Junior Bob Sign (6-3, 265) will be at the



KELVIN MARTIN
Boston College

all-time mark set by Art Lewis in 10 years. His experienced yet young team isn't likely to get that many wins this year. It plays Miami, Maryland, and Virginia Tech in addition to Eastern rivals Penn State, Syracuse, Pitt, and B.C.

BOSTON COLLEGE

Jack Bicknell expects a big bounce-back in his sixth term as Boston College's head man. With Heisman Trophy winner Doug Flutie gone, the Eagles suffered a relapse last season in winning just four of 12 games. The loss of all-East tailback Troy Stradford for most of the schedule with a hamstring injury didn't help matters any.

Stradford is back for a fifth year, though, and with him return 15 other starters, eight on each side of the ball. The explosive offense should be highly productive, with senior Shawn Holloran at the controls. He completed 55.3 percent of his passes for 2,935 yards and 12 touchdowns in his first full season as Flutie's replacement. Sophomores Mark Kempheus and Mike Power are Holloran's backups. All-America candidate Kelvin Martin again should be one of the nation's most scintillating performers. The speedy wideout caught 49 passes for 953 yards and nine touchdowns last season and ran back 30 punts for 510 yards. Also returning to B.C.'s talented receiving corps are junior Darren Flutie, who had 42



PITTSBURGH DEFENSE

other guard position, with the other tackle spot up for grabs. Contenders include sophs Tom Ricketts (6-2, 275) and John Matarazzo (6-6, 270) and junior Chuck Williams (6-6, 265), recovering from knee surgery.

Defensively, Gottfried has switched from a 5-2 to a 4-3 alignment. This should bring out the best in senior Tony Woods (6-4, 240), an all-star candidate. He's now listed as an end rather than outside linebacker. An abundance of experience on defense includes seven returning starters. Either senior Lorenzo Freeman or junior Jon Carter will be the other end. Senior Walter Johnson (6-2½, 255), nicknamed "the Rock," returns at one tackle. Red-shirt freshmen Anthony Siragusa (6-5, 255), David DiTommaso (6-4, 257), and Mark Pearce (6-5, 253) are top contenders at the other tackle. Senior Steve Apke, last year's top tackler, is an excellent linebacker. Sophs Burt Grossman and Darrell Woods, former defensive ends, could bolster the linebacking corps. Besides Apke, others who saw considerable action last year are juniors Jerry Wall and Matt LaVigna and senior Lee Hetrick. Junior Teryl Austin is the ace of the secondary, moving from a corner to free safety. Soph Troy Washington, a starter much of last year, also returns along with senior safeties Reggie Smith and Billy Owens and soph Billy Osborn. Cornerback aspirants include three who have started some games: senior Keith Tinsley, junior Quintin Jones, and soph Chris Ross.

NAVY

Two-time All-America tailback Napoleon McCallum is gone. And with him have gone two NCAA records and 26 school marks. But 31 lettermen are back, including nine starters, along with memories of Navy's closing 17-7 conquest of favored Army. That thrill-filled triumph took a heap of sting out of an otherwise disappointing 4-7 season. Actually, it was a better year for the Midshipmen than their record would suggest. One loss was by two points, two by three, and another by four.

Gary Tranquill is hopeful that the overall results will be more pleasing in his fifth year as head coach at Annapolis. He can count on a strong passing attack, directed by Bill Byrne and Bob Misch and rounded out by a classy cast of receivers. He also expects a good running game, despite the loss of Navy's all-time leading rusher. His defensive unit should be substantially stronger, with five starters and all of the second-stringers returning.

Byrne bagged all-East recognition in 1985 as he set eight school records and the Midshipmen averaged an all-time high 396.8 yards a game. The senior quarterback completed 151 of 269 passes for 1,694 yards and eight touchdowns, though missing two games with an injury. Backup Misch, also a senior, was 52-for-89 for 571 yards. Junior split end Troy Saunders and senior tight end John Sniffen are the top targets. They combined for 43 receptions. Other receivers include Mike Ray, Tony Hollinger, and Donald Hughes.

Taking over from McCallum at tailback will be Mike Smith, who netted 244 yards on 50 carries last year. Juniors Don Holl and Len Armstrong and sophomore Paul Parker will share playing time. Chuck Smith, a speedy junior, will be used at either tailback or fullback, where rugged 220-pounder John Berner returns for his senior year. The offensive line will be reconstructed around senior center Vic Tuttle (6-4, 240). He's the lone hold-

over starter up front, but the leading candidates at other positions all saw considerable action in 1985. Junior Joe Brennan (6-3, 270) and senior Greg Gephart (6-3, 265) are the likely tackles. Sophomore Brian McGoldrick (6-3, 255) will take over at one guard post, with juniors Tim Brunn (6-5, 255) and Kurt Hauer (6-2, 245) on the other side. Senior Marc Gibeley and junior Matt Felt are behind Tuttle at center.

Three veterans return to the front five on defense: end Chad VanHulzen (6-5, 230) and tackles Mike Mussen (6-3, 230) and Kent VanHorn (6-3, 250). Vying for the other end job are senior Scott Boyer (6-2, 215) and sophomore Ron Jones (6-1, 220). The middle guard probably will be senior Eber Verhovsek (5-11, 240). Other lettermen are promising sophomore Troy Holland and seniors Bob Plantz and Enoch Blazis. Senior Vince McBeth, who logged 112 tackles and three interceptions last season, heads the linebacking corps. His sidekick will come from among seniors Tom Doman and J.D. Cook and junior Andre Stokes. Safety Marc Firlie is the only returnee in the secondary. He'll be joined by senior Mike Herron and juniors Mike Milo and Curtis Irby. Other top performers include senior Greg Stefanon and sophomores Mark Kiefer, Albert Peltier, and Paul Day.

Junior Bob Sunderland will inherit the place-kicking job from the record-setting Todd Solomon. Junior Andy Mueck probably will do the punting.

ARMY

Jim Young and the wishbone offense have done wonders for Army. The Cadets have put together 8-3-1 and 9-3 seasons capped by first-ever bowl victories in the Cherry and Peach. Last year's 31-29 victory over Illinois eased the pain of that 17-7 upset loss to Navy in the regular-season finale. Thus, spirits were high in the spring.

Thirty-two lettermen form the nucleus for what could be still another highly successful team. What is a worry, though, is the fact that 35 players graduated from that strong 1985 squad. Among those were 16 regulars, including record-setting place-kicker Craig Stopa, who was the top scorer for four years.

Just four starters return to an offense which ranked second nationally in rushing (336.4



yards per game) and ninth in scoring (33.2 ppg) last year. It was not only productive but highly efficient, turning the ball over a mere 13 times (a Division I-A best). The returnees are halfback Clarence Jones, tight end Rob Dickerson, center Joe Manausa, and tackle Ed Shultz (6-4, 248). Manausa moved back to center, where he was a backup two years ago, after having been a starting tackle in 1985. Two others who gained considerable playing time on offense are quarterback Tory Crawford and wide receiver Benny White. Crawford started four games, including the 45-14 rout of Boston College. White split time with the departed Scott Spellmon. Jones, who rushed for 604 yards, will be joined at halfback by one of four other holdovers: senior Benny Wright and juniors Ron Herring, Keith Basik, and Bill Kim. Andy Peterson is the heir apparent at fullback, where Doug Black became the first Army player to rush for 1,000 yards in back-to-back seasons. Junior Bill Schleiden has been switched back to offense, where he could join Shultz as the starting tackle. Sophomore Jack Frey (6-3, 250) and junior John Oleinik (6-3, 258) are leading candidates at guards, where senior Tom Meyer, junior Mike Rounds, and a pair of sophomores also are available.

There will be even more new faces on defense. Yet those, like most replacements on offense, already have earned letters. Hold-over starters are senior nose guard Jim Brock, (6-0, 225) and linebackers Dave Scheyer and Larry Biggins. Sophomore Greg Gadson likely will be at one end. Junior Bob Duffy has moved from linebacker and could be the other end. Senior Tim McGuire has the inside track at one tackle, with the other spot possibly going to junior Mike Lover, a converted nose guard. Sophs John Garcia, Bill Lynch, and Jon Brunner also rate consideration, along with an improved junior Gerry Kobylski. Army lost its entire secondary and must rely on seniors Reggie Fullwood and Bill Sanders on the corners, junior Chance Conner at free safety, and senior Peel Chronister at strong safety.

RUTGERS

Dick Anderson was "disappointed but not discouraged" after a nightmarish 1985 season. The Scarlet Knights suffered an incredibly long string of injuries as they staggered to a 2-8-1 record. No fewer than 18 starters missed from two to nine games. Eight were unable to finish a campaign which had opened with a surprising 28-28 tie at national power Florida only to disintegrate into a major disaster as



casualties mounted. Rutgers unwittingly had created its own version of M*A*S*H.

Senior Joe Gagliardi returns at quarterback, where he outdid departing record-setter Rusty Hochberg in 1985. Gagliardi, in four starts and five relief roles, completed 58.2 percent of his passes (128 of 220) for 1,273 yards and six touchdowns. He will be backed by senior Gene Adams and sophomore Scott Erney. Ten receivers who combined for 103 of last year's 207 receptions also are back. These include wideouts Greg Raffaeli, Roy Hoover, Eric Young, and Brian Cobb and tight ends Bruce Campbell and Scott Allen.

The running game will be led by someone other than Albert Smith for the first time in four years. Matt Prescott and sophomore Henry Henderson averaged more than five yards a carry. Senior Curt Stephens and junior Dan Lipsett, both hampered by injuries last year, are solid fullbacks who catch the ball well.

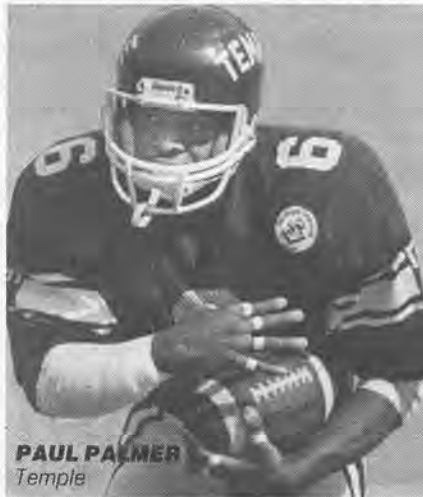
Senior guard Lee Getz (6-3, 245), a three-year starter and one of the nation's top heavy-weight wrestlers, and senior center Mike Dillon (6-3, 245), who started the last half of 1985, will anchor the offensive line. Adequate replacements are available for four lost starters who collected a combined career total of 13 letters. Senior Marshall Haegley (6-4, 240) likely will be at one tackle post, with senior Kevin Spitzer (6-2, 245) at the other guard. Other linemen in the hunt include juniors Chris Coyle, Dan Demmler, Bill Dubiel, Dave Marino, and John Kutz along with sophomores Bill Milano, Bill Hiros, Steve Tardy, Nick Tomlin, Fritz Ferrell, and Nick Urda.

The Pickel brothers, end Jim and nose guard George, are gone from the defensive line along with the tigerish Tony Sagnella. Still,

(6-4, 245) and soph Jeff Haskins (6-3, 225) bidding for the other.

All-America candidate Tyrone Stowe leads the linebacking corps, where he set school records with 157 tackles and 104 primary hits as a junior. Senior Matt Bachman, who logged 54 stops and a pair of interceptions before being injured, also is back. Linebacker depth will be provided by veteran Andre Cox, junior Chris Evans, and soph Pat Udovich. Oh yes, there's another Pickel in the picture there. First name's Chris.

Three sound starters return to the secondary, along with junior Dan McHarris, who was hurt on his first play of last year's opener. Seniors Jean Austin and Steve Twamley again are at the corners, with senior Lulis Moro and sophomore Derek Baker at the safety spots.



PAUL PALMER
Temple

TEMPLE

This shapes up as the best team Temple has fielded in Bruce Arians's four years as its head coach. But the Owls may have difficulty improving on last year's disappointing 4-7 record because of a murderous schedule. They again play only four home games. The seven on the road include visits to such perennial powers as Penn State, Brigham Young, Alabama, and Pittsburgh.

Foremost among 43 returning lettermen is tailback Paul Palmer, who ranked second in the nation last year in both rushing (168.4 yards per game) and all-purpose running (193.7). The swift 5-9, 171-pound senior seems a shoo-in for All-America recognition after having earned numerous honors in 1985. Quarterback Lee Saltz, who passed for 1,875 yards and 13 touchdowns, also returns along with fullback Shelley Poole and an excellent receiving corps. Wideout Willie Marshall remains Saltz's top target after having caught 40 passes for 893 yards and nine touchdowns as a junior. He merits all-star consideration.

Mike Hinnant (6-4, 230) and Pete Johnson (6-4, 225) are back to share duty at tight end. But Arians must find replacements for All-America guard John Rienstra, the school's first-ever NFL first-round draft choice, and all of the other starting offensive linemen. Fighting for berths are tackles Carl Holmes (6-6, 256) and Kevin Jones (6-4, 240), guards Keith Dembo (6-2, 245) and John Incollingo (6-2, 265), and center Dan Codispot (6-3, 240).

The Owls should be stronger, quicker, and deeper on defense, which features seven senior starters. Linebacker Steve Domonoski

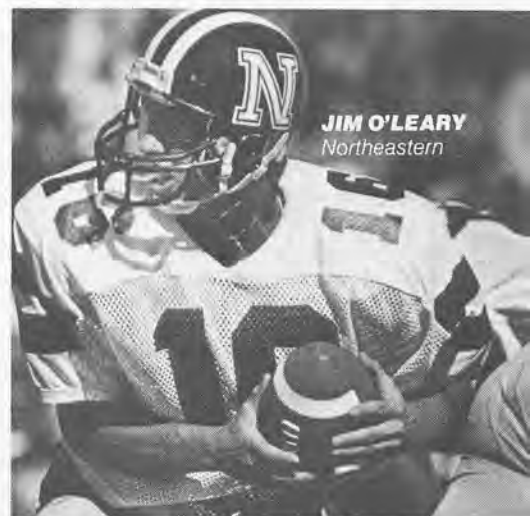
and defensive back Pervis Harder should be stickouts, along with end Jeff Ward. Other veterans include ends Kirk Drukenbrod, Ralph Jarvis, and Chris Eaddy and backs Larry Brewton, Terry Wright, and Eddie Parker. Linebacking looks solid with Bob Pilkaszkas, John Smith, and Chris D'Amico joining Domonoski. To help in the rebuilding of the line, Arians switched Andy Pappalardo (6-4, 230) to tackle. Others who could step into starting slots are Troy Henry (6-1, 260) and Rodney Walker (6-1, 250).

NORTHEASTERN

That painful process of installing the wishbone offense last year should begin to pay dividends for the Huskies this fall. Coach Paul Pawlak has 41 lettermen back from a squad which struggled to a 2-8 record.

Sophomore Jim O'Leary will engineer the 'bone attack again, with help from junior Jeff Ferguson. The Huskies are deep in running backs to make it go. Junior Larry Smith and sophomore Craig Durant are the leading halfbacks, but opponents should beware of Lightin' Lonnie Hooker. He's the dash champion of New England and will be given plenty of chances to fly. Seniors George Olson and Mark Curtin are fighting for the nod at fullback. Junior Gary Lavoie returns at tight end and sophomore Mike Williams at split end. The line remains intact with center Gary Lee, guards Dave Lord and Todd Sandham, and tackles Kevin Slattery and Mike Panneton.

Nine starters return on defense, including standout linebacker John Butcofski. But among the missing is academic All-America linebacker Shawn O'Malley. The holdover front five should be more effective. Senior Ed



JIM O'LEARY
Northeastern

Correa and soph Scott Bemis will be at ends, Darin Jordan at one tackle, and Frank Clark moving from middle guard to the other tackle. Junior Sal Lupoli, who filled in some for Clark last fall, will take over at guard. Cornerbacks Chris Demarest and Rodney Payne return with free safety Bob Koban. Brien Moriarty is the top candidate at strong safety.

Pawlak also has dependable returnees in punter Jeff Ferguson and place-kicker Lance Gordon to bolster the Huskies' bid for a winning season. "Putting in a new offense cost us some wins last year," the veteran coach said. "But we hope the foundation is now built for a bright future." He believes the wishbone suits his team to a T.



MATT PRESCOTT
Rutgers

considerable experience is evident. Senior Happy Swayne (6-5, 250) and stellar soph George Bankos (6-4, 270) are fine tackles with starter status. Junior Doug Kokoskie (6-0, 240) can take over in the middle. Senior Mike Fleming (6-2, 245) and a host of young hopefuls feel their time has come. Senior Alec Hoke (6-2, 235) returns at one book end, with seniors Paul Halada (6-2, 235) and Tom McIver

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PENN

Enough identity is left from last year to make the transition from Jerry Berndt to new coach Ed Zubrow a healthy one.

Tailback Rich Comizio heads a group of seven starters back on offense. He was the second-leading rusher in the league and needs only 709 yards to become the Quakers' all-time runner. In the same backfield is flashy Chris Flynn, who succeeded Comizio as the Ivy Rookie of the Year last season with 513 yards rushing and a 6.0 average. He also returned four punts for touchdowns, although three were canceled because of penalties. The return of quarterback Jim Crocicchia, who missed all of '84 with a shoulder injury, was a success. He and backup Scott Marcott, who started two games, return. Their main targets are gone, however. Ken Saunders, who caught 10 passes, is the most experienced wide receiver. Brent Novoselsky, who caught 17 passes and is an excellent blocker, starts again at tight end. Center Steve Buonato, guard Jim Panzini, and tackle Marty Peterson are again the advance men for Penn's punishing attack. Leading candidates to join them are Tim Obara and Chris Wilkins at guard and Jeff Sheftic at tackle.

Penn's aggressive, multiple defense, an important cog in its success the past four years, will not be as experienced as the offense. Most of the starters from last season graduated. Nose tackle Dexter Desir returns, but tackle Tom Gilmore, the Ivy League Player of the Year, is gone. A.J. Sebastianelli, Mike Lista, and Tom Galik will try to step in at tackle. As if losing two-thirds of the front wasn't enough, the Quakers must find replacements for three of the four linebackers. Outside man Jeff Fortna, however, had 77 tackles and five sacks and will be shooting for even more numbers. Linebacker Steve Pisao, a starter in 1983 and '84, returns after sitting out last season. Bruce McConnell and Rick Inskeep are set on the inside. Safeties Brad Heinz and James Fangmeyer return and Steve Walterhouse and Tom Flynn are on the corners.

YALE

This could be the Elis' season. They got off to a quick start last year at 3-1, but stumbled badly before recovering nicely with an upset victory of Harvard to complete a 4-4-1 season. Coupled with an outstanding freshman team (5-1) and the return of key personnel, Yale could pull off an Ivy title.

For instance, the Elis led the Ivies on offense, averaging 345 yards a game, and the one-two running combo of Ted Macauley and Mike Stewart is back. Fullback Troy Jenkins was a part-time starter and freshman MVP Kevin Brice had 659 yards in just six games. Quarterback Kelly Ryan passed for 460 yards as a backup last year. Dean Athanasia returns at tight end and Dave White and Bob Shoop are the leaders at wide receiver. Guards Ken Lund and George Matthews anchor an experienced line, although Matthews may be switched to center. Chris Martin fills out one tackle spot again.

The problem for Yale is that its defense allowed nearly as much yardage as its offense gained: 324 yards a game. The core of the defense is concentrated up front in inside linebackers John Quinn and Mike Ryan and tackles Yves Labissiere and John Risley. Quinn and Ryan started at outside linebacker last

season. Labissiere must show he is recovered from postseason shoulder surgery. The Elis will benefit from soph linebackers Don Lund and Chuck Bray, and tackles Glover Lawrence, David Cliffe, and Jim D'Onofrio. The secondary is all new. Senior Derek Kay moves from linebacker to monsterback. Sophomores Buddy Zachery and Pat Eilers will be used at corner or halfback, as will junior Vic Meglio. Dave Sullivan and Paul Lisella will be at safety.

HARVARD

The Crimson looked like it might crack Penn's string when it defeated the Quakers in the penultimate game of the season, but a loss to Yale in the finale doomed Harvard to a second consecutive runner-up spot.

Harvard mounts this year's assault having lost much of last year's firepower. A new quarterback must surface from the competition among Dave Landau, Bill Koehler, Buddy Boyda, and Mike Von Rueden. The other skill positions on offense are ready to lend a hand. Fullback Brian O'Neil joins a deep group of running backs that includes George Sorbara, Joe Pusateri, Terry Denson, and Rufus Jones. Speedy LaMont Greer leads the wide receivers and Jim Morris is a capable tight end. Mike Murray anchors the offensive line at center and Hal Watson is back at guard, but the rest of the unit is inexperienced.

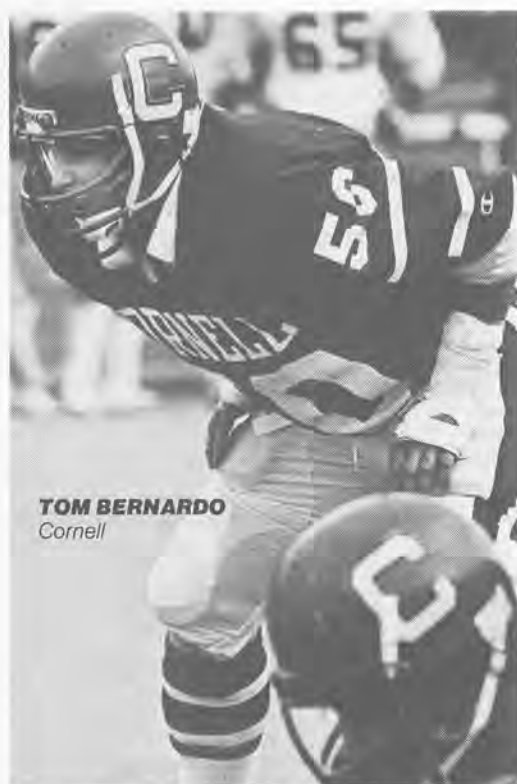
The defensive line play was one of Harvard's strengths last season, and it will be no different this year even though four of the five starters are gone. Tackle Brian Sullivan is back, but the reserves saw enough time to make this area strong. They include tackle Greg Williams, middle guard Dan Steere, and end Clifton Tidwell. The two linebackers are captain Scott Collins and Bob Joyce. The secondary is not so solid, at least not like it was last season. All four starters are gone, including two first-team all-Ivy picks. Harvard's defensive success could be determined by how quickly Tom Richerson, Rick Patton, Bryan Gescuk, and Glen Philpott develop.

Another blow for Harvard is the loss of Rob Steinberg, who was all-Ivy first-team punter and second-team place-kicker. If such a task of finding replacements at so many positions was left to a less qualified coach, this would shape up as a disaster. But it is old hat to Joe Restic, who enters his 16th season as Crimson coach with a .618 winning percentage (84-51-5 overall).

CORNELL

The Big Red won three of its final four games of '85, welcomes a talented crop from a 4-2 freshman team, and has nine starters returning on defense. It's time for Cornell to make a move up in the Ivy League ranks.

"We've made progress and we want more," says coach Maxie Baughan, whose team lost its first six games before the turnaround last season. Baughan is banking on his defense to get the Big Red off to a quicker start this time. All four starters return in the secondary, headed by Mike Raich, a second-team all-Ivy cornerback. Jim Frontero is the other corner, Lonnell McMillan the strong safety, and Jeff DeLamielleure the weak safety. Not only that, but Marc Pearlman returns as the nickel back. Baughan thinks Cornell has its best group of linebackers since the 1970s. Taking the bows are Tom Bernardo in the middle, and Ward Johnson and Mike McGrann on the outside. The defensive line looks strong with Tom



TOM BERNARDO
Cornell

McHale at one end and Jim Knowles at the other and Chris Tull back at tackle.

There is more work to be done on offense, but one of the key factors to Cornell's late-season success was the emergence of quarterback Marty Stallone as a starter. He completed over 55 percent of his passes and should be stronger and more comfortable in the position now. Fullback Jeff Johnson gained 473 yards and averaged 5.3 yards a carry and should strengthen a largely inexperienced running game. The receivers are also mostly new, led by Shaun Hawkins. Dave Dishaw and Tom Malone share the duties at tight end. Senior guard Ken Johnson was an all-league pick in '85 after converting from fullback. Steve Lipic returns at the other guard.

BROWN

Coach John Rosenberg, in just his second season, guided Brown to its first winning season in five years, including four shutout victories in the Ivy League.

The bad news is that Jamie Potkul, Brown's first 1,000-yard rusher, is gone. The good news is the line that blocked for him is largely intact. John Ames, Mike Small, Marty Edwards, and first-team all-Ivy Rick Collett will buldoze for the new backfield. Junior Jamie Simone will try to replace Potkul at tailback and Jim Kurp looks like the fullback. The position will be bolstered by three players who missed 1985: George Reilly, a former defensive back, Kirk Little, and Brian Butler. Keiron Bigby, who is rated as a top prospect at wide receiver, could wind up as the starting quarterback. Dave Fielding is a good, possession receiver and Mark Daly will move from defensive back to wide receiver. Track stars Tommy Smith and Mark Thompson add some flash. Peter Zidlicky is the tight end.

Brown's defense ranked in the top 10 in three categories last season and will be strong again. The experienced secondary includes Mark Kachmer and Scott McCaleb on

the corners; an exceptional safety in Walt Caldwell, and Tyler Wolfram, the other safety. The interior line has less experience but plenty of talent. The possibilities there are Pat Russell, a part-time starter, Bill Perry, Raymond Steele, and Pat Murphy. Junior Jeff Watts will either return at end or be moved to tackle. Kaz Bilinski is one linebacker, and there are high expectations for Leon Lewis. A sophomore to watch here is Merlin Hackett.

PRINCETON

Coach Ron Rogerson brought his first Princeton team home second with a 5-2 Ivy mark. It will be hard to equal that this year.

The biggest job is to replace all-Ivy quarterback Doug Butler, who passed for nearly 2,000 yards last season. The Butler did it better than any quarterback ever at Princeton. Trying to fill his shoes in the wing-T offense are Brad Hammond, Gary Weisglass, and Sean Welsh. Hammond is the only one who played last year. Two of three starters in the backfield, however, return, giving the Tigers experience in the running game. They are halfbacks Steve Foster and Craig Fitchett. Doug Struckman is a tough tight end and Mike Harrer a good one at guard. Jeff Baker is the most experienced receiver. After Harrer the line is green, except for guard Mark Seilhamer. Gerry Courier is the center and 6-3, 257-pound Andy Johanni will fill a tackle slot.

Princeton has only four starters back on defense: Ned Elton at end, Matt Heisler at linebacker, and Dean Cain and Kevin Armstrong at cornerback. When Armstrong was injured, Sean Brennan stepped in. Among the new faces are tackle Jim Soss, linebackers Matt Whalen, Pete Milano, and Mike D'Emilio, and safety Wit Hall.

Place-kicker Rob Goodwin was the Tigers' top scorer last season and punter Rob DiGiacomo is a two-year man. Newcomers to watch are tight end Mark Rockefeller, defensive tackle Rob Henricks, and fullback Jerry Reen.

DARTMOUTH

It was a strange offseason. Joe Yukica was fired as coach, then took his case to court, which overturned the action after hearing expert witnesses, including Penn State's Joe Paterno. Now Yukica's job is to overturn last year's 2-7-1 record.

Quarterback David Gabianelli didn't play much until the third game of the season, then passed for 1,150 yards with only four interceptions. He has a pair of solid running backs in tailback Ernie Torain and fullback Ron Dufresne. The rest of the offense is largely the Big Green. James Swierc and Chris Wanger have the inside track at wide receiver. Tight end Frank Doyle missed the bulk of '85 with a shoulder injury. The line lost four of five starters. Guard Chris Matonis is the lone returning regular, but those with experience are guard Craig Denekas and center John Randolph. Lance High is the front runner at right tackle and Dave Kitchen on the left side.

Dartmouth was first in Division I-AA in pass defense last year, and the secondary returns virtually intact: Andy Russell, Scott Ruser, Rob Combi, and Brett Matthews. Chris Balish is the strong-side linebacker with Jeff Lee and Jon Winslow on the weak side. The middle is manned by John Fuhman and Rusty Gardner. The seasoned line includes tackles Scott Taylor and Tom Ramsey and nose guard Greg McBride.

COLUMBIA

Larry McElreavy, 39, revamped the football program at New Haven. Now he must breathe life into Columbia's. Jim Garrett tried, but after one stormy season in which the Lions responded with a 0-10 record and last place in the Ivy League again, he was gone.

McElreavy considers leadership and consistency most important in his veteran players. He will look for them in offensive tackle Matt Barr, fullback John Chirico, tailback Al Gonzalez, wide receiver John Pennywell, and tight end Ron Suber. Chirico could be a key to the offense if McElreavy decides to go with a ball-toting fullback rather than use him as a blocking back. At 6-foot, 230 pounds, Chirico led the team with 518 yards rushing last season. Others filling important roles on offense are wide receiver Homer Hill, tailback Durc Savini, and center-guard John Miller.

Inside linebacker Chris Riga is a rock on defense. He led the '85 squad in tackles and is Columbia's top all-Ivy candidate. Other solid defenders are Joe Policastro in the secondary, Matt Sodl at tackle, and George Gianfrancisco at linebacker. Sodl is a 5-10, 225-pound All-America weightlifter.

Five candidates from last season's 2-2-1 freshman team could step in and make large contributions. They include center Jim Taylor, guard Charles Radi, guard-tackle Benny Seybold, defensive back Walter Haynie, and wide receiver Terry Brown. Place-kicker Bill Flick, who played as a sophomore but was beaten out last season, returns to his former post.

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COLGATE

Colgate's offense promises to be one great Gamble. It's a safe bet when tailback Kenny Gamble carries the football. As a sophomore, Gamble rushed for 1,361 yards last season, an average of 123.7 yards a game, which was fourth in Division I-AA. The 5-11, 185-pound tailback needs 1,696 yards in his next two years to become Colgate's all-time rushing champ. Gamble is one reason that Colgate is stamped as the front runner to win the first Colonial League title. The Raiders are also experienced, coming off a solid 7-3-1 season.

Coach Fred Dunlap must find a replacement at quarterback for the second straight year to put the final puzzle piece in place. The leading candidate is senior Mark Hulbert. The new quarterback will have experienced targets in flanker Buddy Brown and split end Tim Walsh. Fullback Barry Chubb, a converted tailback, will be challenged by Todd Buchner and Jeff Crowell. The offensive line may be Colgate's best in years. Center Erik Rosenmeir, tackle Scott Lesperance, and guard Alan Swan return.

Defense, which posed a problem last season, should be a plus in '86, providing the secondary solidifies. Both defensive tackles, Tony Khalife and Jim Kietzman, return. Junior Greg Manusky, who paced Colgate in tackles until he suffered a broken ankle in the sixth game, is the hard-nosed leader at inside linebacker. Rocco DiSabatino is another veteran linebacker. Colgate refers to the outside linebacker position as the hoo doo. Juan Dela Rosa and Dennis Kelly are the who who do. Cornerback Sheldon Spicer had a good year in '85. But the secondary needs sculpting. Strong safety Scott Montross returns, but there is little other experience.

HOLY CROSS

The toughest loss the Holy Cross Crusaders must overcome is the death of coach Rick Carter, who committed suicide in February. Mark Duffner, 30, moved up from associate head coach to take over a team that collapsed last year to 4-6-1 after a 3-1 start. "We will do the best we can to improve the football team and follow in the tradition coach Carter established," Duffner says.

Duffner must replace Gill Fenerty, the Crusaders' all-time rushing leader and the No. 2 rusher in Division I-AA last season (1,368 yards). David Jones, who had only 11 carries, gets first crack at Fenerty's spot. Holy Cross's strength will be on defense. Back are Pat Barry, John Vesprani, Byron Dixon, and Gordon Lockbaum, all starters in the secondary. Jerry McCabe and Scott Rudy return at linebacker.

Quarterback Jeff Wiley is back to lend stability to the Fenerty-less offense. Much of his protection returns in the form of offensive linemen Craig Clarkin, Ron George, and Frank Kutschke. Lee Hull, a split end who averaged 22.1 yards per catch last year, is back. Tom Kelleher and Randy Pedro will vie for the job at fullback. Other names to look for on offense are Chris Goins at tight end and Wally Dembowski at split end.

Promising newcomers to watch include wide receiver Jason Davis, tight end Tim Kreimer, tackle Jim Moore, guard Mark Stoy, defensive end Dennis Golden, and safeties Mike Saghy and Chris Kenney. Of the freshmen recruits, a familiar name is quarterback Gary Cuozzo of Middletown, N.J., whose father played for three NFL teams, including the Baltimore Colts in the Super Bowl.

LEHIGH

First-year coach Hank Small faces a big task. He must replace four graduated All-Americans, including quarterback Marty Horn and split end Rennie Benn, who set nearly every Lehigh passing and receiving record. The good news is that Small has a large group: 19 players who started at least two games last season. But none of those is a quarterback. Horn played nearly every down last season for coach John Whitehead, who is now the Lehigh athletic director. Junior Jim Harris was 0-for-2 passing as Horn's backup and sophomores Tim Jent and Tom Keer have not played a varsity down.

Randy Miller is an experienced tight end, having caught 38 passes a year ago. The Engineers will probably put more emphasis on the running game. Sophomore tailback Lee Blum ran for 714 yards in his first college season, the best at Lehigh in a decade. Richard Curtis and Thomas Grossman are in the running at fullback. Adrian Gorsline, a 6-5, 305-pound sophomore goliath, started every game at tackle and will have to carry an inexperienced offensive line.

Lehigh yielded an average of 381 yards a game last season, the reason the team's high-powered offense was unable to generate anything better than a 5-6 record. One thing the Engineers have going for them on defense is experience. Tackle Mike Kosko, linebacker Jeff Supp, and strong safety Matt Cichocki lead a band that Small can only hope learned from a tough lesson.

The kicking game is a Lehigh forte. Punter Steve Banco, who doubles as a starting cornerback, was 12th in the country, with a 41.6-yard average.

LAFAYETTE

It's a wait-and-see game at Lafayette. Halfback Ryan Priest, who rushed for more than 2,000 yards in his first two seasons, suffered a knee injury in the second game last year that ended his season. He's back to try it again. "He's the leader on this team," says coach Bill Russo, "but you never know how effective players can be after serious knee injuries."

If Priest (5-11, 193) who was granted a year of eligibility, is healthy, the Leopards' offense will be in high gear. Even if he isn't, Bruce McIntyre gained 791 yards at halfback in his absence. And quarterback Frank Baur passed for 1,075 yards, though he started only the last five games. The receivers are thin, but the offensive line is stocked with muscle. Chris Thatcher, a 275-pound tackle, is one of the best in the East. Marty Horne (6-5, 262) is a blocking tight end. Others include tackle Bill McClarnon (6-4, 275), center Andy Nygren, and guard Ken Ennis.

Lafayette's defense is more inexperienced than anything else. End Charles Brantley is the best player on the unit. Joe Coffey is also solid as an end who drops back into pass coverage. The three-man front consists of Matt Higgins, Hector Romero, and Randy Mellinger. No experienced linebackers return. The best is Horace Davis, who started two games. Cornerback Joe Yanek and strong safety Mike Joseph start for the third consecutive season. Dave MacPhee is the free safety.

BUCKNELL

George Landis, who worked miracles at tiny Bloomsburg (Pa.) University, gets a chance to wave his magic wand at Bucknell. The Bisons won only three games last season. Among their losses was a 21-10 thumping by Division III Carnegie-Mellon.

Landis, who started for two years in the secondary at Penn State, was the 1985 Kodak college Division II national coach of the year after Bloomsburg swept to a 12-1 record, the only loss coming in the second round of the Division II playoffs. He has put in the I-formation at Bucknell, which should put tailback Earl Beacham's ample talents on display. Jim Given is the returning quarterback, but he is not guaranteed the starting job. Tom Dominick switches from halfback to fullback. Guard Kevin Stewart and tackle Daren Rhym are back. Sophomore Scott Lillis, a starter at defensive end last year, switched to tight end. Landis likes his receiving corps of split ends George Long and Mike Morrow. The offense is a major project because Bucknell was shut out three times last year and scored once in only two other games.

Landis has changed Bucknell's defense to a multiple 50. But can he change the multiple scoring the Bisons' allowed last season? The defense is headed by tackle Bret Alexander, inside linebacker Harry Buell, and outside linebackers Dean Sylvia and Zach Guyton. Jim McCloy is at free safety.

DAVIDSON

The only school in the Colonial League located below the Mason-Dixon Line, Davidson (N.C.) will struggle to stay above water again in 1985. The Wildcats were 1-10 last season, their only victory coming against Wofford. When they ended their season at home against Catawba, only 300 people attended in 8,000-seat Richardson Field. With an upgraded schedule and not much experience, sec-

ond-year coach Vic Gatto is counting on quarterback Steve Bradley to lead the wide-open attack. And he has Aaron Edwards back at wide receiver. The two are the only full-time starters returning on an offense that was blanked five times.

Davidson's offense could use a Marcus Allen, but he plays defensive end for the Wildcats, one of five returning starters and one of the best players in the league. The other experienced defenders are Doug Neil and Gary Stewart in the secondary, Charles Showers at tackle, and linebacker David Trontz.

Some of the newcomers who might step forth in Gatto's youth movement are offensive tackle Brad Black, linebackers Ray Boyet, Chip Cole, Chris Hardin, and Ken Nazemetz; running back Eric Crowley, linemen Kevin Donnalley and Pat Currie, and quarterback Peter Hughes.

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DELAWARE

The Blue Hens were 3-1 against Yankee Conference opponents last year, including a 29-13 victory over champion Rhode Island. But with a 7-4 finish, coach Tubby Raymond felt his season was disappointing. The Hens, a perennial playoff team as an independent, now will be looking for the automatic spot which goes to the league champion.

Quarterback Rich Gannon's cannon can't do it all, but there are 31 lettermen and 17 players with starting experience. Halfbacks Bob Norris, a 119.9-yard runner a year ago, and Fred Singleton will be making the wing-T work with Gannon. The interior starting linemen back are tackles Nick Bitsko and Jamie Dyeovich, center Chris Coyne, and guard Dan Brodeur. Gannon also has veteran receivers in tight end Jeff Modesitt and spread ends Greg Christodulu and Todd Lott.

The biggest rebuilding area for the Hens will be in the defensive line, where three of the four positions were vacated. Tackle Joe McGrail is the lone starter back. However, the linebacker corps again will be a strength. The leader is All-America Darrell Booker (153 tackles in '85). He's joined by vets Jim Turner, Jeff Borkoski, and Tim Doherty. Players with starting experience in the secondary are cornerbacks Phil Atwell and Ken Lucas and safety Ken McCown. Corner Chris McDonald also has considerable playing time.

The kicking game must find a new punter, although Gannon can do the job if nobody else shows up. Neil Roberts, a part-timer last year, can handle the place-kicking.

RICHMOND

"Last year our goals were win the I-AA national championship and to be the best team in I-AA. We made great strides towards accomplishing those objectives but fell a little short down the stretch," said coach Dal Shealy. The Spiders started 7-0 and were ranked No. 1 in the nation until going into a November nose dive by dropping three of their last four.

Record-setting quarterback Bob Bleier is back for his fourth season. He completed 186 of 301 passes for 2,208 yards and 18 touchdowns in '85. Bleier will miss All-America split end Leland Melvin, but seniors James Church and Brian Shields are proven big-play performers. Senior tight end John Henry is another fine target.

Senior tailback Greg Grooms is the top returning rusher. Injuries kept his productivity to

385 yards last year, but as a sophomore two years ago he rushed for more than 1,000 yards. Sophs Erwin Matthews and Rex Hawley add speed to the tailback spot. Senior Aaron Smith will be battling redshirt Keith Wilson and Wake Forest transfer T.J. Morgan for the fullback job. The offensive line is looking for new starting guards, but tackles George Tarasovic and Courtney Williams are back along with center Chris Tate.

With only four starters returning, the defense needs repairs. The secondary was virtually wiped out by graduation, leaving senior free safety John Flynn the man with the most experience. Inside linebacker Damon Miller, who led the team with 116 tackles, outside backer Rafe Wilkinson, and tackles Bryan Tuft and Jeff Karkut are outstanding defenders.

MASSACHUSETTS

As defensive coordinator, Jim Reid worked overtime making life miserable for the opposition. Last fall the Minutemen were nationally ranked in total defense.

Reid got a lot of help from linebacker John McKeown, who was all-New England as a sophomore after leading his team with 136 tackles. The team will miss All-America nose tackle Mike Dwyer and strong safety Paul Platteau, but McKeown won't be alone on defense. Vito Perrone, who was second in tackles a year ago, returns to his inside linebacker spot along with outside backers Paul Manganaro and Todd Rundle. Replacements will be needed up front, with senior tackle Mike Kowalski the only returning starter. In the secondary, free safety Bob Shelmire will be looking for help.

Quarterback Dave Palazzi, who can pass and run with exciting efficiency, proved he was one of the best in the league as a sophomore last year. The Minutemen finished 7-4 (their first winning season since 1981) and when Palazzi was healthy, the team went 6-2. As Yankee Conference and ECAC rookie of the year, he completed 53.5 percent of his passes, flipping for 1,152 yards in eight games. The running game lost top rusher George Barnwell, but junior Ted Barrett and sophomore Kevin Smellie have speed and 6-2, 224-pound senior Al Neri is solid at fullback. Mike Kelly and Ned Toffey at tight end, John Crowley at flanker, and Dan Rubinetti and Tom Cioppa at split end are experienced.

Another big plus is 6-6, 240-pound Dimitri Yavis, an all-league punter as a freshman whose 39.5-yard average ranked him high on the national lists.

MAINE

For a team picked to finish last a year ago, the Black Bears did some surprising things under rookie coach Buddy Teevens. They won three of their first four games and wound up 6-5.

With 33 returning lettermen, including offensive leaders Bob Wilder at quarterback and Doug Dorsey at tailback, the Bears figure to be a force again. Wilder, a 6-2, 215-pound junior, passed for 1,902 yards and 10 touchdowns last year as he set three school records. The offense has 10 of 11 starters back. Wilder still has flanker Steve Roth, tight ends Tony Lanza and Chris Peucker, and split end Sergio Hebra to throw to, along with Dorsey. With the absence of Dorsey in spring practice because of lingering injuries, juniors Randy Hutchins and Jim Fox and sophomore Guy Battaglini looked good running the ball. Tack-

les Chuck Kasmer and Joe McDonald, guards Dave Ingalls and Joe Colasacco, and center Tim Cahill will be back at their starting stations.

The major losses were on defense, especially at linebacker and in the secondary. Joe Trefethen, a sophomore who was switched from fullback, and senior weightlifter Marty Glebus are the top linebacker candidates, along with veterans Steve Root and Nick Penna. In the secondary, the only returning veteran, Jay Davenport, has moved from cornerback to free safety. Junior-college transfer Rob Sterling is at strong safety.

RHODE ISLAND

No way the Rams can be the same without quarterback Tom Ehrhardt. After two straight 10-3 campaigns—years of the flying football—there should be a drop in productivity. Does this mean coach Bob Griffin will revert to a more conservative approach? Not necessarily. His team might not average 52 passes a game, as it did a year ago, but Griffin promises to continue throwing the football. He feels Greg Farland, a 5-11 junior scrambler, can make the air game work. All-conference receivers Brian Forster and Dameon Reilly are gone but junior Bob Donfield, who had 37 catches for 377 yards last year, is a top target. Another junior, 4.5 sprinter Jim Pratt, is highly regarded. Junior Jim Muse, JC transfer Jeff Hannan, and 6-5 basketball player Bryan Mitchell will battle for the tight-end job.

A couple of Drake transfers, tackles Ed Kujawa (6-4, 253) and John Seelinger (6-3, 277), will bolster the offensive line. Mike Janson and Jeff Denny are veterans at guard. If Griffin decides to exploit the running game, he still has sophomore Doug Haynes and junior Dave Morrill, who shared the single-back position last fall and combined for 400 yards.

The defense has experience, with six starters returning. Back are nose guard Tim Poland, tackle Jim Landry, linebacker Damon Hewlette, cornerbacks Ray Williams and Charles Watson, and free safety Tony Hill. John Gilman, a 6-2, 270-pound all-state tackle from Westerly, R.I., is given the best shot at a starting berth among the dozen freshmen.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

The Wildcats were a respectable 6-4 a year ago, which was their 11th winning season in the last 12 years under coach Bill Bowes. But starting on the road against Richmond and Delaware is a tough challenge for a UNH team which will have a lot of new faces in its lineup.

The Cats must replace four starters along the offensive line, plus a tight end, fullback, and All-America running back Andre Garron. Although he missed two games, Garron still ran for 888 yards and 11 touchdowns in addition to being a top receiver and kick returner. Last year's backups, Scott Pery, Todd Urbanik, and Rich Kowalski, along with a promising group of freshmen, will be battling for the tailback job. Derrick Milton is the fullback.

Rich Byrne returns for his senior year at quarterback after completing nearly 50 percent of his passes for 1,409 yards and 10 TDs in '85. The best prospects at tight end are seniors Rich Easton and Tom Johnson and sophomore Rob Spittel. Starters Curtis Olds and Bill Farrell are back at wide receiver. Senior tackle John Driscoll (6-5, 272) is the only returning starter on the offensive line.

There also are holes on defense, especially at end and linebacker. The best of the veter-

ans are two-year starter Bill O'Malley at nose guard, second-leading tackler Dave Duggan at linebacker, and speedy Stan Harrison at cornerback. Another plus is place-kicker Eric Facey, who accounted for 56 points.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

The Terriers suffered through a 3-8 inaugural season under coach Steve Stetson last year. How much better they'll be this time around will depend upon quick maturity from young people on an offensive line which was depleted by graduation. In addition, there are only four starters returning on defense.

One of the areas of strength should be the offensive backfield, where Pat Mancini and Jim Schuman return at quarterback. Mancini passed for 818 yards and seven touchdowns and Schuman flipped for 1,367 yards and six TDs a year ago. The Terriers also have tailback Randy Pettus back from a 716-yard running season. Two proven receivers are Mark Ferrara, who came on strong at the end of last season, and Dennis Gadbois, one of the top receivers two years ago who sat out with a leg injury in '85. Other key players back who missed most of last season with injuries are linebacker Jack Reybold, defensive back Ken Clifford, and running back Tim Bonnell.

Tri-captain Tim Murphy is a stickout at defensive tackle. Other all-star candidates on defense are back Mark Seals and tri-captain and linebacker Keith McLaughlin. Stetson also is looking for help from a bunch of red-shirts. Help up front is expected from guards Peter Bengtson and John Timm, offensive tackle Greg Nazarian, and defensive tackles Robbie Bouchie and Jim Collishaw.

BU's dip last year came after the school had either won or shared the Yankee Conference title five of the previous six years. It looks like more rebuilding is needed this time.

CONNECTICUT

With the return of senior quarterback Peter Lane and sophomore tailback Jeff Gallaher, the Huskies feel they have an exciting pass-run combo. Lane set three school records in '85, passed for nearly 2,000 yards and seven touchdowns, and led the club in scoring with seven TDs on the ground. Gallaher jumped into the starting lineup late in his frosh season. His 364 yards and 5.1 average made him a team leader. Receivers David Dunn and Scott Sweitzer give Lane fine targets. Dunn also is a nationally-ranked punt returner.

The big holes to fill on offense are the ones vacated by tight end Mike Walsh and tackle Craig Primiani. The defense will miss all-New England end Mark Michaels, end Mike McNamara, linebacker Bob Christiani, and cornerback Jerry McIntosh. But fourth-year coach Tom Jackson still has a lot of experience on a squad of 37 lettermen. The Huskies' kicking game looks solid, with place-kicker Mark Carter and punter Jim Carriere returning. As a freshman in '85, Carter was 20-for-22 in PATs and 7-for-13 in field goals. Punter Carriere maintained a 37.6-yard average.

Things started well a year ago as Jackson's men won their first two games (over Northeastern and Lehigh). However, after the Yale game was canceled by Hurricane Gloria, the Huskies never regained consistency and went 2-5 the rest of the season.

"The addition of Richmond and Delaware make the Yankee the top Division I-AA conference in the country, but we optimistically look forward to the challenge," says Jackson.

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AMHERST

Quarterback Paul Foye was first in the nation in Division II completion percentage (65.4) a year ago, and he's back for his senior season along with prime targets John Tucci, Jack Whelan, and Ken Hanau. Foye threw for 1,161 yards and 14 touchdowns.

The Jeffs have their entire starting backfield back. Punishing fullback Bill Okun was the '85 leader with 441 yards and a 4.3 average. Kevin Minicus and Scott Lebo are the wing-T halfbacks and Dan Tate is an experienced reserve. The only problem could be up front, where all-East performer Jeff Beach and Mike White departed from the tackle spots.

The defense, which was a national leader last year, lost six starters, but nose tackle Laroy Brantley (6-4, 240), safety John McCarthy, and cornerback Jeff Spadafora are quality returning performers. Only a 10-0 loss on the road to Tufts prevented the Jeffs from posting a second straight unbeaten season.

WILLIAMS

It's no secret that Bob Odell figured his team would do better than its 2-5-1 record of a year ago. Williams lost three games by a total of seven points and Odell notes, "If we had a kicker we could have been 6-2."

The offense has experience. Junior Scott Powers looked promising in the half season he worked. He's a better than average passer and, as his coach puts it, "He can run like a jack rabbit." Rob Miller returns at fullback and Maurice Holden, a sophomore speedster who was out with injuries most of last year, and Mark Meyer look like the halfbacks. The Ephemen still have wide receiver John Shaw and tight ends Jim Poulsen and Lew Collins, a pair of 6-2 pass-catchers who can block. The center could be junior Don Aselton (6-2, 225), who is making the move from defensive tackle.

The defense, almost always a strength at Williams, has some holes to plug at end and in the secondary. Willie Wurm and John Eadie will be back at the corners. Experience up front will come from nose guard Dave Crompton, tackle Brian Nixon, and end Jim Franz. The regulars at linebacker are Dan McCarthy and Dan MacDonnell.

WESLEYAN

The Cards came off a 5-2-1 year in 1984 with expectations of an outstanding '85, so coach Joe Macdermott's 4-4 finish had to be termed a disappointment. Now, with nine starters on defense and five on offense graduated, the rebuilding job is extensive.

Fortunately Macdermott does have some experience at key offensive positions. Sophomore quarterback Jim Lukowski started most of his freshman season and passed for 1,339 yards and eight touchdowns. He also led the team in rushing, with 339 yards. Fullback Matt Nestor and halfback Dave Glatz are tested runners. Glatz has breakaway speed but was severely hampered by injuries last year. The other top returning offensive players are guard Doug McIntosh, center Mike Savino, tight end Jim Maynard (32 catches for 626 yards), and split end Phil Guidrey.

The defense is looking for major repairs, with only rover Pat Guliano and safety Greg Waldron returning to their starting jobs. Mark Borkman, a walk-on last year who won the punting job, is back, but record-setting place-kicker Greg Zlotnick departed.

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EASTERN DIVISION

WEST CHESTER

(7-3, 5-1) The Golden Rams just missed winning the division title the last two years, losing to Bloomsburg by three points two years ago and by two points last season. With a wealth of talent on hand, this could be their year. Returning quarterback Al Niemela (1,331 yards passing) was named the ECAC Rookie of the Year last season, and he has two top receivers in Bill Hess (33 catches) and Jim Sheehan (30). The running chores will be handled by Mike Burnetta and Jason Sims. On defense, linebacker and two-year leading tackler John Mininno is one of the conference's best. Also back are ends Joe Ellis and Dean DiPasquale and linebacker Doug Kelly. Coach Danny Hale also has a pair of veteran kickers in Charlton Hollenbach and Gary Desmond.

BLOOMSBURG

(12-1, 6-0) The Huskies were the nation's lone undefeated Division II team during the regular season last year and reached the national semifinals before losing. Twelve starters are back from that team, including eight on the offensive unit. Peter Adrian, an assistant at pass-happy Rhode Island last year, takes over as head coach. Opponents can expect a high-powered passing attack led by veteran Jay DeDea (80 for 177, 1,157 yards). His top receiver, all-PC tight end Kevin Grande (6-5, 220), who caught 45 passes for 552 yards, also returns. Seven of the top eight rushers are back, including junior Tom Martin (1,107 yards). The defense will be rebuilt around linemen Wes Cook and Jim Tyson.

MILLERSVILLE

(8-2, 4-2) Coach Gene Carpenter's Marauders could challenge for the division title if replacements can be found for fullback Troy Smith, the PC's leading rusher, and three-year quarterback Gregg Caplan (3,991 career yards passing). The rest of the team should be solid. Tackle Ed Aldrich and center Scott Sharp are all-conference performers who will anchor the offensive line. They should supply plenty of blocking for tailbacks Steve Napier and Shaun Arline. Senior Dave Hangen and sophomore Steve Sawyer will battle for the quarterback assignment. The strength of the defense is the secondary with free safety Dion Reed (eight interceptions) and cornerbacks Michael Brower, Dan Kessler, and Tony Yoas.

EAST STROUDSBURG

(2-8, 2-4) The Warriors suffered an unusual losing season last year (only the school's third in 27 years), but four of the losses were by a margin of five points or less. The ever-optimistic Denny Douds, entering his thirteenth year as head coach, thinks his team will rebound and is counting on an improved offense behind quarterback Ray Gentilella and backs Brooks Perkins and John Mesko. The middle of the offensive line is experienced with center Mike Yanders and guards Rick Vance and Mike Gierula. Top defensive players are end Bryan Heverin, linebackers Dan Murray and Glenn Unger, and back Chris Gerhard.

KUTZTOWN

(3-7, 3-3) The Golden Bears have the best pair of running backs in the conference in Paul Magistro, the PC East Player of the Year in 1985, and Bob DiRico. Magistro bulled for 875 yards and DiRico 841 and both made all-con-

ference first team. They will again have the help of tackle John Eagle. The team has a top receiver in speedster Bruce Tiller, but coach George Baldwin must find someone to throw to him. Defensively, all-PC back Mike Kullman, linebacker Jim Truskey, and end Craig Tomlinson will be the leaders.

CHEYNEY

(1-9, 0-6) The Wolves had no offensive bite last season, scoring only 92 points in ten games. The main problem was at quarterback, where second-year coach Mike Costa is now turning to a pair of sophomores, Andrew Williams and Daryl Bennett, to lead the attack. The team is set at the other offensive positions. Four running backs return, including top rushers Michael Lee and Michael Rackley, along with most of the line. Another weapon is Ben Frazier, who ranked eighth in the nation last year in punt returns. The team's defense looks strong with the premier player linebacker Victor Nixon.

MANSFIELD

(3-7, 1-5) The most effective play in the Mounties' offense again should be three-year starter Robert Funderburk running behind the blocking of guard Rod Purcell. A new quarterback must be developed, with the top candidates Todd Smith and Chris Fusco. The strength of the defense will be the secondary, where starters Doug Westervelt, Mike Egenreider, and John Myers all return. All-conference tackle Don Chubb has graduated, so coach Tom Elsasser will need help on the line.

WESTERN DIVISION

INDIANA

(8-2-1, 6-0) The Braves won the Western Division and were ranked third in the NCAA Division II last year before losing to Bloomsburg, 31-9, in the championship game. They are favored to go all the way this year with 47 lettermen and 15 starters back for new coach Frank Cignetti. The former West Virginia mentor (1976-79) is returning to coaching after a seven-year absence. The big question will be who will start at quarterback in place of ECAC Player of the Year Rich Ingold, who passed for 2,760 yards and 23 touchdowns. Leading candidates are juniors Bob Kiel and Scott Rhodes. The receiving corps returns intact in split ends Tony Trave (55 catches for 788 yards) and Darel Patrick and tight end Doug Niesen. Tailback Pat McCullough and fullback Steve Girling will handle the running. All-ECAC tackle Jim Angelo (6-4, 272) is a force on the offensive line. Linebacker Bob Buriak and Chris Bache and free safety John Pettina are the team's best on defense.

CLARION

(8-2, 5-1) The graduation losses were heavy, but the Golden Eagles still should extend their NCAA Division-II-leading streaks of 22 consecutive winning seasons and 25 straight non-losing campaigns. Five players who earned All-America honors are gone, but coach Gene Sobolewski still has plenty of talent, especially in the backfield with quarterback Doug Emminger and tailback Mike Kehoe. The offensive line will be rebuilt around tight end Jim Hahn (35 receptions for 327 yards) and tackle Jerry Fedell. The defensive mainstays will be all-PC tackle Ken Edwards, who had a team-leading 11 sacks, cornerback John Besic, and free safety Bob Kelly.

SHIPPENSBURG

(5-5, 3-3) This could be the surprise team in

the Western Division. The Red Raiders have 16 returning starters greeting new coach Joe Bottiglieri. Leading a veteran-packed offense will be all-conference tailback Frank Van Buren, who ran for 741 yards and caught 21 passes for another 225 yards. Bill Roth took over at quarterback midway through last season and turned the team's offense around. The Red Raiders averaged only 9.2 points per game for the first five games and 17.2 for the last five. Roth's leading targets, tight end Dave Peck and split end Scott Duke, are back. Two-time all-PC safety Ed Nork heads the defensive unit.

EDINBORO

(5-4-1, 3-3) The Fighting Scots have a solid nucleus in every area except for the offensive line. The entire backfield returns intact in quarterback Scott Dodds, who completed a school-record 111 passes for 1,380 yards, and halfbacks David Span and Floyd Faulkner. There are three sure-handed receivers in Dave Gierlak, Bob Suren, and Cleveland Pratt. Senior kicker Jim Trueman is within striking range of the conference career scoring record. Head coach Steve Szabo's defense should be strong with the focus on linemen Rob Lewis and Chuck Murray and defensive back Martelle Betters. There is only one starting offensive lineman back, however, in tackle Dave Higham.

CALIFORNIA

(4-6, 1-5) The Vulcans, the 1984 conference champions, got off to a fast start last year, but then after a series of injuries lost their last five games. Quarterback Brendan Folmar should lead the team back into the title hunt. He passed for 1,891 yards and rushed for another 365 last season. He has an experienced group of wideouts in Dave Lease and Ed Alford. The running game will feature tailback Dwayne Todd and all-PC guard Bob Holtz. On defense, three top linemen return for coach Jeff Petrucci in Ken Huether, Paul Leonard, and Glenn Richards along with talented defensive back Bob McDonough.

LOCK HAVEN

(3-7, 1-5) The Bald Eagles can run the ball, finishing eighth in the nation and first in the conference in rushing statistics last season with 239.4 yards per game. Eight starters, led by quarterback Pat Cahill (634 yards) and fullback Roosevelt Brown (548), are back to run coach Jack Fisher's wishbone attack. Three strong blockers are available up front in center Jim McConnell, guard John Eisenhooth, and tackle Todd Johnson. The team's passing attack averaged only 63.7 yards per game last season and needs work. The defensive returnees include leading tackler and linebacker Stan Allen, middle guard Steve Suriano, and end Julio Enos.

SLIPPERY ROCK

(5-5, 2-4) The Rock won its last three games to salvage a 5-5 season a year ago, but Don Ault has some gigantic gaps to plug in his fifth year as coach. The biggest losses were tailback and East-West Shrine Game participant Chuck Sanders and slotback Wade Acker. Ault is confident that the fleet Rich Twine can take up the slack as a ground-gainer. His main blocking support will come from all-PC tackle Tim Grove. Senior Eric Denton is counted on to start at quarterback. The team's two top defensive players are back in free safety Todd Durand and linebacker and leading tackler Dave Linton.

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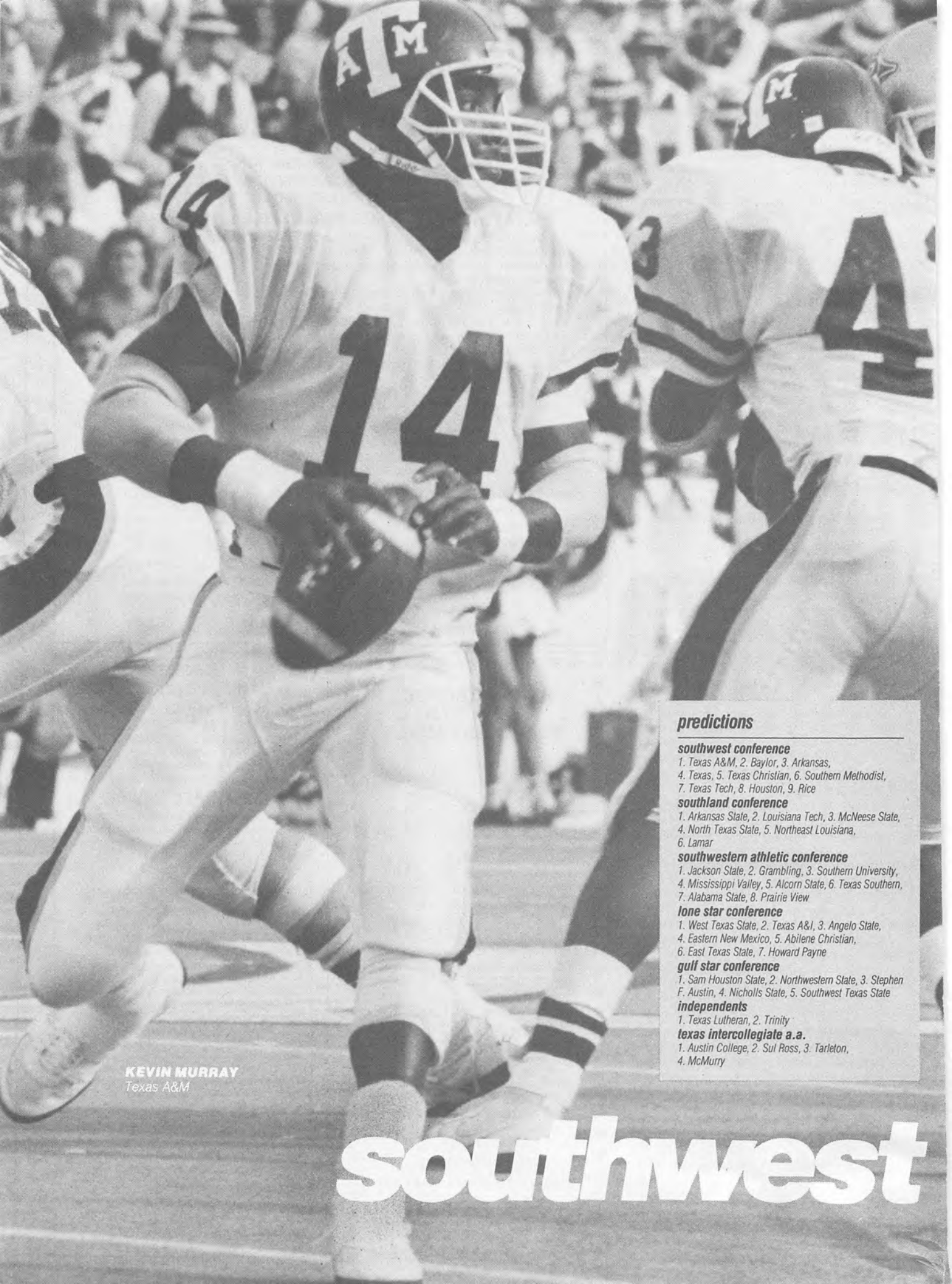
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by IVY McLEMORE and CHUCK PICKARD

HOUSTON POST

There is no truth to the rumors that profiles of all Southwest Conference football players will be plastered on post office walls this fall and that uniform numbers will be expanded to six digits. Police wagons will not replace team buses and "Jailhouse Rock" will not become the newest halftime song craze. But it's easy to understand how such speculation could spread after a seamy season in which six of the SWC's schools were involved in some way with NCAA investigators.

Off the field, the SWC experienced one of its darkest years. Southern Methodist's football program received a three-year probation resulting from recruiting violations involving cash payments from boosters to players. Texas Christian came under NCAA scrutiny when coach Jim Wacker learned as many as 29 players had received payments from boosters. Allegations of improprieties at Texas A&M, Houston, Texas, and Texas Tech followed within the next several months, leaving the SWC with a sullied reputation.

On the field, Texas A&M, Arkansas, Baylor, and Texas were involved in a four-team title scramble that ended with all four receiving bowl bids. All four should be in the bowl hunt again this season in what could be a calming year for a stormy league. The Aggies could even make a legitimate run at a national title with 18 starters returning from A&M's first Cotton Bowl team in 18 years. At the very least, Jackie Sherrill's team should become the first SWC team to make back-to-back Cotton Bowl appearances since Houston in 1978-79.

A gifted secondary and the emergence of several budding stars could make this a golden season for Baylor, which is aiming for its third bowl appearance in four years. The continued improvement of a potentially devastating pass attack could hold the key to the Bears' title hopes.

A gritty defense has been Arkansas' most valuable asset in recent seasons, but the loss of eight starters could force the Hogs to delay their Cotton Bowl plans. The offense could be explosive if the passing game comes around

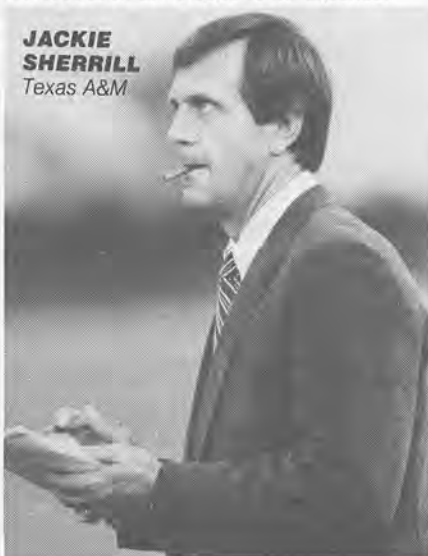
and running back James Rouse prematurely lives up to All-America expectations.

Everything but Bevo has received a face-lift at Texas, where coach Fred Akers has revamped his staff in an attempt to bolster a sagging offense and fortify a shaky defense. The Longhorns will be under the microscope more than ever before in a season which promises plenty of change.

TCU's Horned Frogs should be hopping mad after a frustrating 0-8 conference record prompted by the early-season dismissal of several quality players at key positions. It may take another year, however, for a group of talented young linemen and a stable of superlative skill athletes to come into their own.

All dressed up, but no place to go. That's the story of SMU's revitalized passing attack, which could be the high point of another bowl-less season for the Mustangs. Nevertheless, nose guard Jerry Ball should be en route to a possible All-America season while taking out his frustration at his opponents' expense.

JACKIE SHERRILL
Texas A&M



Texas Tech has a new head coach in David McWilliams, but little else in which to build excitement until a couple of glittering recruiting classes are signed.

A lack of experience in the offensive and defensive lines could tarnish Bill Yeoman's silver anniversary at Houston. But the Cougars could produce some excitement if running backs Raymond Tate and Sloan Hood have impressive seasons and the defense learns from its 1985 failure.

Rice should return to the cellar after a one-year absence while new coach Jerry Berndt tries to mold the fortunes of a football program which started to climb toward its first winning season in 20 years.

Many of the SWC's top individual performers this season will be found on defense. Baylor's dynamic defensive-back duo of Thomas Everett and Ron Francis could be among the nation's best. SMU's Ball and Texas A&M linebacker Johnny Holland should contend for several national postseason awards, including the Outland and Lombardi. On offense, A&M's Kevin Murray and Baylor's Cody Carlson top a list of quarterbacks overshadowed by such running-back standouts as Arkansas'

Rouse, SMU's Jeff Atkins, and Roger Vick of A&M. Texas's most prolific offensive weaponry could be the unlikely combination of tight end William Harris and place-kicker Jeff Ward. And Texas Tech's tiny Tyrone Thurman, all 5 feet, 3 inches of him, could leave a large mark on the SWC landscape with his uncanny ability as a kick returner.

The Arkansas State Indians will be on the Southland Conference warpath again this season after reaching the Division I-AA quarterfinal round a year ago. Defensive end Marvin Neloms returns as the chief of a steady defensive unit that led all Division I-AA squads last fall. Once again, Louisiana Tech appears to have the best chance of pulling a surprise in a league left with only six teams after Texas-Arlington disbanded its football program. McNeese, Northeast Louisiana, and North Texas State should jostle for the next few spots, but all could be in for a jolt if Lamar's program experiences an improvement under new coach Ray Alborn.

Football folks in the deep south take great pride in their college teams. And rightfully so. Down through the years, Alabama has rolled with the Tide, the Georgia Bulldogs have put a big bite on the opposition, and the Miami Hurricanes have swept foes under in recent years. Meanwhile, Grambling has piled up enough wins since 1941 to make Eddie Robinson the all-time winningest college coach. Still, the Bayou bullies have played in the shadow of the larger universities, but professional scouts know all about the small Louisiana school. After all, Robinson has sent over 200 players to the pro ranks. Tank Younger, who went on to gain fame as a running back with the Los Angeles Rams, was an early-day Grambling product, while more recently ex-Tiger Charlie Joiner (San Diego Chargers) en-



JOHNNY HOLLAND
Texas A&M

1986 all-southwest team

offense

Quarterback... Kevin Murray... JR... Texas A&M
Running back... James Rouse... SO... Arkansas
Running back... Jeff Atkins... SR... SMU
Wide receiver... James Shiblest... SR... Arkansas
Wide receiver... Matt Clark... JR... Baylor
Tight end... William Harris... SR... Texas
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Tackle... Joel Porter... JR... Baylor
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Line... Jerry Ball... SR... SMU
Line... Tony Cherico... JR... Arkansas
Line... Steve Grumbine... SR... Baylor
Line... Rod Saddler... JR... Texas A&M
Linebacker... Johnny Holland... SR... Texas A&M
Linebacker... Todd Howard... SR... Texas A&M
Linebacker... Brad Hastings... SR... Texas Tech
Back... Thomas Everett... SR... Baylor
Back... Ron Francis... SR... Baylor
Back... Kip Corrington... JR... Texas A&M
Back... Frank Thomas... JR... SMU
Punter... Steve Kidd... SR... Rice



CODY CARLSON Baylor

tered his name in the NFL record book as the league's all-time leading receiver. The SWAC also claims the NFL career rushing king in Walter Payton, who stepped from the Jackson State campus to the Chicago Bears.

Joiner and Payton have put their college glory days behind them, but their alma maters keep turning out championship-caliber players. Jackson and Grambling tied for the SWAC title last season, and the two bitter rivals are the teams to beat in 1986 with Jackson getting the nod for the top spot.

Southern's stock appears to be on the rise with the Jaguars pegged for a third-place finish. Mississippi Valley, the most explosive offensive team in college circles the past two years, will miss quarterback Willie Totten, but the Devils should have enough firepower to finish fourth, perhaps higher. Alcorn State is counting on the school's winning ways in recent years to pull the Braves through in 1986. Texas Southern, Alabama State, and Prairie View face another also-ran season.

The SWAC has come a long way since Robinson's rookie season. "Our players are bigger and better than they were when I started coaching," the Grambling mentor admitted. "There are some outstanding young coaches in the conference today. The NFL teams bring our coaches into their preseason camps, and



THOMAS EVERETT



STEVE GRUMBINE

this has had a great impact on our league's success."

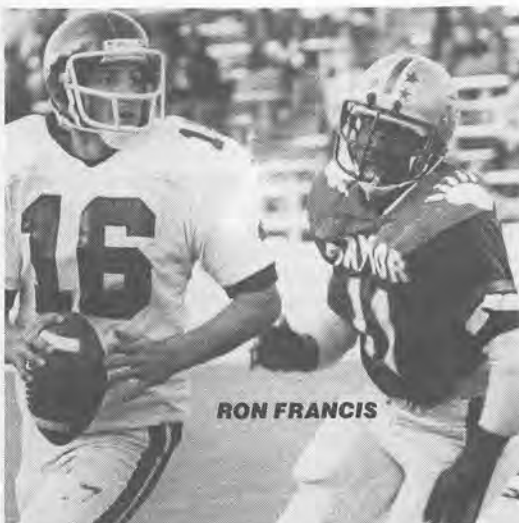
A wide-open championship race is shaping up in the Lone Star Conference with four, and perhaps five, schools expected to challenge defending champion Texas A&I for bragging rights. Newcomer West Texas State, moving from the Missouri Valley Conference, and Angelo State, Abilene Christian, and Eastern New Mexico all appear to have title possibilities. East Texas State, with a new coach in Eddie Vowell, may put heat on the contenders. Only Howard Payne, which has not reached .500 since 1971, is being counted out of the race.

southwest conference

TEXAS A&M

The Aggies ended almost two decades of frustration last season when they brushed aside opponents in an impressive 10-2 march that resulted in a lopsided Cotton Bowl victory over Heisman Trophy winner Bo Jackson and the Auburn Tigers. A&M's defense continued to improve as the season progressed and the offense evolved into one of the nation's best, scoring 131 points in the final three games. Now, as he begins his fifth season at A&M, coach Jackie Sherrill may be within reach of that elusive national title he has been chasing since his much-publicized arrival.

There is plenty of reason to believe the Aggies can improve on their top 10 finish of a year ago and establish themselves among the nation's leading major-college powers. A&M returns 18 starters and 38 of its top 44 players, including several budding stars who should challenge for postseason honors. All but two starters return to a physically punishing first-team defensive unit that set the tone for much



RON FRANCIS

of the Aggies' success. And the offense should be improved behind junior quarterback Kevin Murray.

Last season, Murray was the centerpiece of a multiple-set attack that averaged more than 419 yards total offense per game. Murray passed for 1,965 yards and 13 touchdowns while helping direct A&M to its first SWC title and Cotton Bowl berth since 1968. The offense could be even better this fall with the return of running back Roger Vick, who rushed for 764 yards and eight TDs a year ago, and such promising ball-carriers as Keith Woodside and James Howse. The presence of Shea Walker, an underrated receiver who had 30 receptions for 489 yards last season, and tight end Rob Bernstine should help Murray contend for All-America honors. Rod Harris, Sylvester Morgan, and Tony Thompson are other quality pass targets who should fit into the Aggies' plans.

The Aggies' most substantial losses came in the offensive line, where Louis Cheek, Marshall Land (6-6, 355), and Frank Case are considered the leading candidates to fill the two starting tackle positions. Center Matt Wilson will be sandwiched between guard hopefuls Trace McGuire and Calvin Whitfield.

Other than the loss of two starting defensive backs, the entire first-team defense returns intact from a superlative season in which the Aggies repeatedly dominated SWC foes. A&M yielded an average of 281 yards total offense per game and allowed 19 touchdowns, only four of which came through the air. Ends Rod Saddler and Jay Muller and rugged nose guard Sammy O'Brien comprise a formidable front that could establish itself among the nation's best during the Aggies' drive to a possible national championship. There is plenty of quality at linebacker, where John Roper, Larry Kelm, Todd Howard, and Johnny Holland are potential all-SWC.

Holland earned All-America honors last season after finishing second to Kelm on the team with 150 tackles and making 10 tackles for losses, including six sacks. The secondary was another strength as free safety Kip Corrington intercepted five passes. Cornerback James Flowers is the other returning starter in the secondary. He'll team with Jeff Holley, Tony Jones, and Terrance Brooks.

Eric Franklin converted only 15 of 27 field-goal attempts a year ago. Punter Todd Tschantz returns after averaging a net of 39.8.

BAYLOR

Pulling rabbits out of a hat is nothing new for Grant Teaff, who guided the Bears to a surprising 9-3 finish last season to earn SWC coach of the year honors for the fourth time since 1979. A loss to Texas in their final conference game was the only obstacle that prevented the Bears from reaching the Cotton Bowl. Baylor should have little trouble re-establishing its position in the top 20 this fall with the return of several gifted athletes who blended together to form the SWC's biggest 1985 surprise.

Cody Carlson, last year's Liberty Bowl MVP, will be the starting quarterback after sharing that responsibility with Tom Muecke in each of the past three seasons. Developing depth behind Carlson, who ranks fourth on Baylor's all-time list with 22 career touchdown passes, is a key. Derrick McAdoo, Jackie Ball, and sophomore Charles Perry are projected as the top names in a rushing attack that utilized 12 ball-carriers a year ago. The offensive line consists of such decorated performers as left tackle Joel Porter, right guard Mark Bates, and center John Adickes.

Carlson's strong throwing arm and a solid offensive line are two ingredients to a passing game that could rank among the SWC's best. The final piece to the puzzle is a young corps of receivers which burst into prominence a year ago. Matt Clark earned all-SWC honors with 29 receptions for 540 yards as sophomore. All-America track performers John Simpson and Darnell Chase add speed and agility at split end. Kobe Fornes heads a long list of unproven candidates at tight end in a multiple offense which shifts to a power-I in short-yardage situations.

Enough quality returns at linebacker to give the Bears a good start at reaching last year's lofty level of success. Ray Berry, Robert Watterson, and Aaron Grant comprise the nucleus of a linebacking unit which must find capable reserves. Russell Sheffield, a right tackle who earned SWC defensive newcomer of the year honors in 1985, joins left tackle Steve Grumbine as anchors in the defensive front. Former blue-chip tight end Sam Collins has been shifted to defensive end to stabilize a position that includes returning starter Kevin Marsh and senior James Lee.

An impressive collection of individual talent once again will patrol the Bears' secondary. Ron Francis, a senior cornerback who led the SWC with six interceptions last fall, teams with consensus All-America free safety Thomas Everett. Norris Blount, son of former Pittsburgh Steeler Mel Blount, is the front runner to become the strong safety. Dennis Washington, who fled Texas-Arlington's now defunct football program, is a leading candidate at right cornerback.

Former walk-on Terry Syler set a school record by converting 31 consecutive extra-point attempts last season and also excelled on short- and medium-distance field goals, but his range is limited. The punting game is in disarray after the graduation of Buzzy Sawyer.

ARKANSAS

Constructing a dynamic defensive unit which didn't allow a rushing touchdown in its last nine games was a critical factor in the Razorbacks' shining 10-2 season a year ago. The Hogs followed a second-place SWC finish with an 18-17 victory over Arizona State in the Holiday Bowl that culminated two seasons of

substantial progress under Ken Hatfield. Visions of a trip to the Cotton Bowl have been dancing through the heads of Razorbacks fans for almost a decade, but a loss of eight defensive starters and the heart of an offensive line could delay that long-awaited SWC title for at least another year.

Hatfield's priorities during spring drills included the improvement of a kicking game that has plagued the Hogs for several seasons and the continued development of a wobbly passing attack that limited the Hogs' offensive capabilities a year ago. But the most alarming situation dealt with a defense which lost both starting inside linebackers and three starters in the secondary.

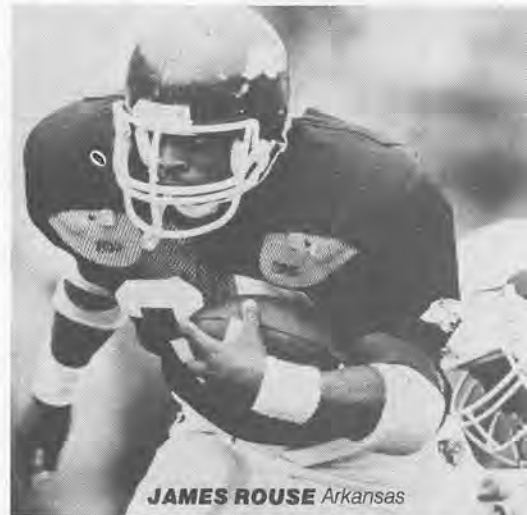
The reconstruction project on defense begins in the secondary, where six of the top seven players will be either redshirt freshmen or sophomores. Charles Washington and Richard Brothers are the leading candidates at cornerback. Odis Lloyd, a rover, is the only returning starter in a secondary that intercepted 20 passes last season. Rickey Williams, fourth among Arkansas defenders with 60 tackles a year ago, and Erik Whitted should alleviate the attrition at inside linebacker. Heralded nose guard Tony Cherico, who earned consensus all-SWC honors as a sophomore, joins outside linebacker David Dudley as the only other returning starters on defense.

Arkansas' projected starting tackles—red-shirt freshman Wayne Martin (6-5) and junior David Schell (6-4)—will have to use their size to offset their inexperience. Kerry Crawford, a promising sophomore, has been moved from nose guard to end. Youth could also be served in the Hogs' kicking game, where red-shirt freshman Kenny Franklin will get his chance to improve on Arkansas' 9-of-22 success ratio on field goals last season. Greg Horne will handle the punting chores for the fourth consecutive year.

Added consistency has assumed paramount importance on offense, where sophomore halfback James Rouse and senior split end James Shibehead a long list of superior athletes returning at the skill positions. Rouse made a lasting impression by leading the Razorbacks with 550 yards rushing last fall to earn SWC newcomer of the year honors. Shibehead caught only 20 passes after leading the SWC with 51 receptions the year before, but could enhance his reputation as an offensive threat by returning punts for the first time since high school. Depth in the backfield should not be a problem with the return of fullbacks Mar-

shall Foreman and Derrick Thomas and halfbacks Sammy Van Dyke and Joe Johnson. Split end Donnie Centers and tight end Theo Young add reserve strength.

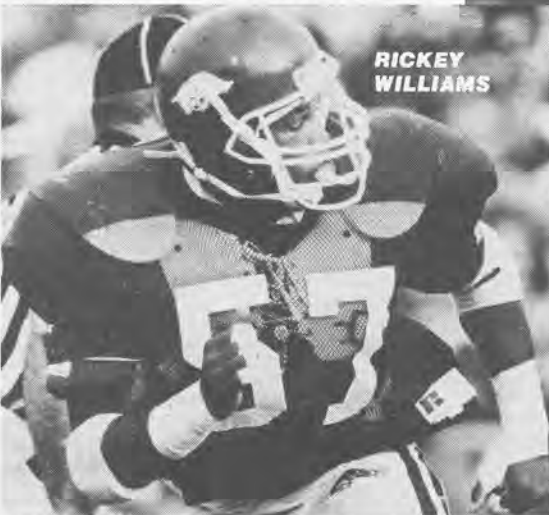
The Razorbacks can catch the ball, but can they throw it? That's the nagging question Hatfield and his staff must answer after quarterback Greg Thomas completed only 46 percent of his pass attempts last fall. Thomas, a junior, will start the season after directing Arkansas to nine victories in 1985. He'll be protected by an inexperienced front wall which will include guards John Stitten, all-SWC choice Limbo Parks, and sophomore standout Freddie Childress. Chris Bequette has moved from guard to tackle, a position where youngsters Jim Mabry and John Kinyo will be asked to provide some much-needed depth.



JAMES ROUSE Arkansas



TONY CHERICO



RICKEY WILLIAMS



FRED AKERS
Texas



BRET STAFFORD

TEXAS

The winds of change have replaced seven assistants on the Longhorns' staff as coach Fred Akers searches for a way to keep one of college football's empires from crumbling. Texas finished with an 8-4 record a year ago and in a surprising second-place tie in the SWC race, but that wasn't enough to appease orangebloods disappointed with the Longhorns' fourth consecutive bowl loss. There is growing speculation that Akers's 10th season at UT could be his last unless his team rallies around a new offense (which will place more emphasis on speed than strength) and wins the SWC title. That could be a difficult task, indeed. "Texas is still Texas," said Akers, who has guided the team to nine consecutive bowl appearances. "We believe we can go to the Cotton Bowl. The championship is the goal every year here."

The reshuffling of Akers's staff created quite an offseason stir on the Forty Acres. Dwain Painter, the new offensive coordinator, was imported from Georgia Tech to revive the Longhorns' slumbering attack. The new defensive coordinator is Paul Jette, who pushed Oklahoma State into the top 20 and rekindled Miami's national championship hopes with a quick, gambling defensive philosophy.

How well Texas plays on offense will depend largely on how well junior quarterback Bret Stafford responds to the numerous changes in Texas's offensive philosophy. Stafford completed 55 percent of his pass attempts last season and displayed an adequate amount of running ability. The Longhorns' backfield could get a real lift from Ed-

win Simmons, who rushed for 369 yards last fall after a lengthy battle with knee problems. Charles Hunter and sophomore speedster Eric Metcalf are other leading threats at running back, while Darron Norris and Emanuel Limbrick are the leading contenders for the starting fullback spot.

Wide receiver Everett Gay and tight end William Harris both return after leading the team with 22 and 15 receptions, respectively, a year ago. But the offensive line must rely on holdover guard Bruce Blackmar and veteran tackle Steve Eargle to ease the transition while several newcomers learn their positions. The situation isn't much better at linebacker, where lone returning starter Britt Hager joins reserves Lee Beckelman, Lee Brockman, Bobby Duncum, and Mike January.

Redshirt defensive tackle Ken Hackmack (6-9, 255) was the hit of spring drills and could fit into a talented front that includes Steve Llewellyn, Brian Espinosa, Terry Steelhammer, Blake Brawner, and Thomas Aldridge. The secondary should be another strength as five players—John Hagy, Stephen Braggs, Richard Peavy, Tony Tillmon, and Tony Griffin—all return with starting experience; none intercepted more than one pass a year ago. Peavy led the Longhorns with 115 tackles after overcoming a career-threatening knee injury that limited his playing time the previous two seasons.

An interesting situation is shaping up in the kicking game, where incoming freshman Alexander Waits looms as a likely successor to All-America punter John Teltschik. Jeff Ward, whose consistency was one of the bright spots of the Longhorns' 1985 season, could earn All-America honors as a senior after successfully converting 19 of 24 field-goal attempts to tie an SWC record and making 27 consecutive extra-point tries.

TEXAS CHRISTIAN

If 1984 was a dream season for the Horned Frogs, then last year had to be considered a nightmare. After earning their first bowl trip in 25 years, the Frogs were stunned by statements made by several players that they had played for pay at TCU. Star running back Kenneth Davis, who had finished fifth in the Heisman Trophy balloting as a junior, was among the players dismissed from the squad by coach Jim Wacker as the Frogs went through an 0-8 shock treatment during SWC play.

The Frogs have gone back to the basics while trying to avoid a repeat of last year's 3-8 record compiled during an ongoing NCAA investigation. An abundance of missed blocks and tackles complicated a season full of injuries that presented younger players with considerable playing time. As a result, 57 lettermen and all but two starters return on a team left weary and woozy after losing by scores of 41-0, 45-0, 63-7, and 53-6 to SWC foes. A young offense could benefit from the addition of several wishbone plays to a split-veer offense. The defense, meanwhile, hopes for the return of a healthy Kent Tramel, a superlative nose guard trying to overcome a series of knee problems.

The Frogs have been able to stockpile offensive backfield talent with strong recruiting efforts in recent years, but proven starters have yet to emerge at several positions. Quarterback Scott Ankrom and running back Stephan Howland, a pair of promising athletes, are trying to return from ankle and knee inju-

ries, respectively. Reggie Davis, a 215-pound speedster, has been shifted from flex end to running back to add some spark to the lethargic attack. Keith Burnett and Tony Allen add quickness at receiver and impressive junior Ricky Stone returns at tight end. The line is anchored by W.C. Nix and Tracy Simien.

Several starters may be juggled on defense this fall as the Frogs continue to search for that special winning combination. Huey Blackmon, a defensive transfer from Texas-Arlington, could pump life into a defensive unit that was trampled for an average of 450 yards per game a year ago. Newcomer Fred Washington and former end David Caldwell join part-time starters Mitchell Benson, Trent Edwards, and Frank Hawkins as possible regulars at



KENT TRAMEL
Texas Christian

tackle. Free safety Falanda Newton, the SWC's defensive newcomer of the year, will team with All-America junior-college cornerback John Booty in an improved secondary.

Added consistency from linebackers Kevin Dean, Darrell Davis, and Scott Harris is imperative if TCU is to make a run at a first-division SWC finish. A sturdy kicking game could work wonders for the Frogs, who must offset the loss of record-setting place-kicker Ken Ozee to graduation. Sophomore Lee Newman and redshirts Justo Gonzales and Jim King are the leading contenders for that spot, while punter Chris Becker returns after getting plenty of practice a year ago.

SOUTHERN METHODIST

Once a team of stars, the Mustangs now find themselves bearing the stripes of NCAA probation. After plaguing Southwest Conference foes for several seasons, the Mustangs ran into problems of their own last year when they were handed a three-year penalty by the NCAA for numerous recruiting violations. Their 6-5 record equaled the number of defeats they had experienced in their previous four seasons combined. Worse yet, the Ponies were stripped of all new scholarships during recruiting season and allowed to replace only a handful of players who had left the team for various reasons.

A continuing slippage from the previous national status could be this year's by-product of the NCAA probation. Faced with the addition of Notre Dame to their non-conference schedule and the loss of 13 starters, the Mustangs may not have as much kick as they have had in recent seasons. Finding a new quarterback

to throw to a group of gifted receivers is coach Bobby Collins's prime objective. Bobby Watt-ers, a junior who completed only 3 of 8 passes in five games last year, is the only returning quarterback at SMU with experience.

The running game, bolstered in recent years by such players as Eric Dickerson, Craig James, and Reggie Dupard, could suffer unless senior Jeff Atkins gobbles up considerable ground to add to his career total of 2,464 yards. The Mustangs added potential help when sophomore Tony Brown left Texas-Arlington and talented quarterback Lynn James shifted positions this spring.

Left tackle Craig Kennington, left guard Kevin McKinney, and heralded 292-pound right guard Dave Richards are returning starters in an offensive line that must provide adequate blocking for SMU's potentially dangerous passing game. Flanker Ron Morris returns after catching 31 passes for 411 yards and two touchdowns a year ago. If senior Marquis Pleasant retains his eligibility and junior Jeffrey Jacobs lives up to expectations at split end, the Mustangs could field the best gathering of speedy receivers in the conference. Albert Reese, a tenacious blocker and smooth receiver, heads the capable tight ends.

The Mustangs' situation is a bit more precarious on defense, where consensus all-SWC nose guard Jerry Ball stands as a beacon in the darkness. Only three starters return on defense, a distressing fact which prompted Collins and his staff to shift from a 3-4 alignment to a multiple 4-3 during spring drills. Ball, a 278-pound senior projected as a legitimate candidate for the Outland and Lombardi awards as the nation's most heralded college lineman, will team with seniors Terance Mann and John Eixman on SMU's defensive front. How well rugged sophomore Robert McDade recovers from a knee injury will be a critical factor.

An alarming lack of depth at linebacker is the biggest hurdle the Mustangs must overcome on defense if they are to improve on last year's finish. Seniors started at all four spots last year, leaving juniors Ben Hummel, Reggie Ballard, and Gabriel de la Garza and sophomore Rudy Harmon as leading candidates to help hold SMU's season together. Right cornerback Mark Vincent and free safety Franky Thomas are the holdovers in a secondary that will rely on sophomores Derrick Reed and Dick Sherick for added stability.

Kicker Brandy Brownlee set a school record with a 57-yard field goal last season and punter Dodge Carter averaged 43.6 yards per kick and pinned the opposition inside the 20-yard-line 16 times.

TEXAS TECH

Disappointment caused by their seventh consecutive losing season prompted the Red Raiders to add a new head coach and a new offense in hopes of creating that extra spark that was obviously missing last year. Tech lost four games by a total of six points and finished with a 4-7 record that cost Jerry Moore his job. David McWilliams, credited with constructing some of the University of Texas's outstanding defenses during his 16 years as a Longhorns' assistant, is the new head coach. "Texas Tech is like water heated at 211 degrees," McWilliams said. "It's close to boiling. I'm here to add that one degree."

The spectrum of football talent at Texas Tech ranges from 5-foot-3, 130-pound punt

returner Tyrone "Smurf" Thurman to hulking 285-pound defensive tackle Artis Jackson. But the most important key to the Red Raiders' success this fall could be the improvement shown in a new, faster-paced multiple offense centered around the power-I. The change in offensive philosophy was necessitated, in part, by the stunning late-season emergence of quarterback Billy Joe Tolliver, who set a SWC record by passing for 422 yards against Texas Christian in his major-college debut. A sophomore, Tolliver is the heavy favorite to win the starting job this fall.

The situation is a little hazier at running back, where senior tailback Timmy Smith sat out spring drills while recovering from major knee surgery. Ervin Farris, who started six games last season, and fullback Isaac Garnett loom as two of the squad's most potent ground threats. Wayne Walker led Tech with 26 receptions a year ago and could team with Tolliver to provide the Raiders with one of the conference's most effective pass combinations. Sprinter Lemuel Stinson and the sure-handed Bruce Perkins will contend for the starting split-end job, while the diminutive Thurman (the smallest Division I-A player in the country) should add excitement at the newly created wingback spot.

Tod Ryden or Vince Hubbard could step in at tight end now that Ricky Boysaw has been moved to defensive end. Talented senior center Chris Tanner is the most heralded name on a veteran offensive line that includes guard Mike McBride and tackle Aubrey Richburg. The defensive line also returns four starters, including Jackson and sophomore tackle Charles Perry (6-4, 260). Calvin Riggs is at the other defensive end.



JERRY BALL
Southern
Methodist

Linebacker Brad Hastings sat out spring drills because of a knee injury after terrorizing opponents a year ago. Hastings' 312 tackles the last two seasons represent the most of any returning major-college player. The Raiders led the nation in pass defense in 1984 and finished second last year, thanks to strong play from returning cornerbacks Roland Mitchell and Eric Everett, among others. Merv Scurllark is a likely starter at free safety. Scott Segrist, son of former Tech baseball coach Kal Segrist, should inherit the place-kicking chores. Incoming freshman Jamie Simmons, an all-state punter in high school, is expected to add much-needed stability in that area.

HOUSTON

The Cougars experienced one of college football's greatest nose dives last year when they followed a trip to the Cotton Bowl with a dis-

tressing 4-7 record. A porous defense did its damage, but the Cougars' problems were complicated before spring training by play-for-pay allegations made by several of Bill Yeoman's former UH players. Reshaping an offensive line decimated by graduation is one of Yeoman's biggest concerns as he begins his 25th year as the Cougars' head man, the longest tenure by any active coach in major-college football.

Numerous questions concerning the Cougars' offense went unanswered during spring drills. Quarterback Gerald Landry, who established 13 school offensive records during his first three seasons, is expected to regain his eligibility and return to practice this fall. Mark Davis directed the first-team spring offense. Fullback Sloan Hood and running back Raymond Tate are proven performers. Hood led Houston last fall with 652 yards rushing.

The Cougars' heavy losses in the offensive line carried over to assistant coach Billy Willingham, who retired after serving 20 years on Yeoman's staff. Guards William Gant and Roosevelt Johnson are the only returning starters up front. Hulking Joey Baner, a 6-foot-7, 240-pound redshirt freshman, and Brad Elledge are among several candidates in a wild scramble for the two starting tackle positions. Speedy Jet Brown and the sure-handed Mike Rhodes are the two top names among a group of inexperienced split ends.

Only one part-time starter, senior right tackle Robby Brezina, returns to a defensive front that faltered miserably last fall. Key figures in the rebuilding process include 270-pound junior-college tackle transfer Brock Kelly, promising redshirt freshman tackle Alfred Oglesby, and converted linebacker Tim Britton. Derrick Hoskins, whose college travels have taken him to Michigan State, Purdue, and Houston, joins David Bearden and Larry Ball as potential starters at defensive end.

The Cougars' projected strength on defense is a group of veteran linebackers led by Gary McGuire, who led the team last season with 155 tackles as a sophomore. Weak-side linebacker Robert Harper could be a big plus



BRAD HASTINGS
Texas Tech

if he returns to form following a mid-season knee injury. Randy Thornton slumped at strong safety after a superlative freshman season but remains the most noteworthy name in an inexperienced secondary. The Cougars have moved David Martel from flanker to cornerback in an attempt to bolster one of their many weak spots. The difference-maker in the secondary could be Alabama transfer Johnny Norwood, a former Texas high school blue-chip performer who is expected to see action at right cornerback and free safety after sitting out last season.

If Houston has an obvious strength, it's with place-kicker Chip Brown and punter Robert Myers. Brown twice had school-record field goals of 51 yards while recovering from a broken arm. Myers finished 13th among major-college punters with a 43.5-yard average after setting a school record by booming 21 punts of 50 yards or longer.



GERALD LANDRY
Houston



SLOAN HOOD



GARY MCGUIRE

RICE

The new year brought a new coach for the Owls, who hired Jerry Berndt from Penn on January 1 to take over a foundering program that showed glimpses of promise in 1985. Before Watson Brown left Rice to return to his alma mater at Vanderbilt, he guided the Owls to a 3-8 season in which they snapped a record 26-game Southwest Conference losing streak. Shortly after he arrived to continue the Owls' reconstruction project, Berndt established a three-point plan for Rice this fall. "No. 1 is to win that first game against Lamar," he said. "No. 2 is to win the Southwest Conference. No. 3 is to win the Cotton Bowl."

Lofty goals, indeed. The Owls have not been to the Cotton Bowl since 1958. Continuity has been sorely lacking in recent years as 22 Owls will be playing for their third coach at Rice. They also will look different, wearing their fourth uniform style and helmet logo after having won only five games since their freshman year.

The Owls utilized a wide-open offense in their two seasons under Brown, passing opposing defenses silly while trying to keep their collective heads above water on defense. This fall, they will use a passing offense with quarterback Mark Comalander and a veer attack when sophomore Quentis Roper is on the field. Marc Scott has been moved again, this time from wingback to tailback. If Comalander regains the form he displayed before suffering a separated shoulder, the passing game should be an asset with the return of split ends Kevin Lewis and Mike Boudousquie, flanker Darrell Goolsby, and tight end Ken Major.

Tackles Russell Moses and Raul Loya are graybeards in a youthful offensive line which made great improvement in pass-blocking technique last fall. Freshman Karl Schraer and sophomore David Maberry, a pair of unproven guards, and sophomore center Courtney Hall are projected starters. By comparison, the defensive line will consist of a veteran crew headed by senior defensive tackle Dwain Turner, the Owls' strongest player, and senior nose guard Angus Davis.

Berndt and his staff have made several changes elsewhere on defense, where the Owls continued to make slow improvement last season. All-SWC punter Steve Kidd has been shifted from free to strong safety, swapping positions with senior Rayford Abraham.

William McClay and Stephen Holmes have been penciled in as the starting cornerbacks. Linebacker, an extreme weak spot for the Owls not too long ago, has been transformed into a strength with help from seniors Joe Heikkinen and Danny Burgess inside. James Phorne, Ed Freeny, and Brad McKay are among the candidates to fill the outside positions. The Owls return 17 starters from last year's squad, but finding a replacement for dependable place-kicker James Hamrick will be one of their most difficult tasks.

southland conference

ARKANSAS STATE

The Indians made their second consecutive trip to the Division I-AA quarterfinals last season, finishing with a 9-4 record as the result of large contributions from a talented senior class. The cupboard isn't exactly bare as 13 starters are back to continue a tradition that has helped ASU to five consecutive first-division finishes in conference play.

Defense once again should be the Indians' hallmark. End Marvin Neloms and cornerback Greg Lee comprise the nucleus of a returning unit that helped ASU lead Division I-AA teams in total defense last season. Neloms, an All-America candidate, has recorded 31 sacks the last two seasons. Lee led all SLC defenders last fall with six interceptions. Other key figures include two-year starting linebacker Anthony Withers, tackle Clint Ledbetter, strong safety Elbert Shelley, and free safety Vincent Barnett.

Another big year is expected from fullback Ricky Jemison, who finished second among SLC ball carriers last season with 918 yards rushing. Quarterback Dwane Brown added a new dimension to ASU's attack by passing for nine touchdowns and rushing for 10 more on his way to setting a school mark with 1,880 yards total offense. Split end Cazzy Francis, a converted quarterback, and all-SLC guard Randy Barnhill are two other key stalwarts who could lift the Indians to another conference title. ASU's place-kicking also should be improved with the addition of Scott Roper, who transferred from Texas-Arlington after converting 17 field goals a year ago.

LOUISIANA TECH

The Bulldogs have built a winning tradition after carving out 18 victories over the last two seasons. Another successful campaign could be in the offing as 14 starters return from last year's 8-3 squad. How much improvement is made likely will depend on the productivity of a veteran backfield brimming with talent.

Garlon Powell, a junior who has led Louisiana Tech in rushing each of the last two seasons, headlines a group of running backs that could become the best in the conference. Dependable Jordan Stanley returns at quarterback after passing for 1,544 yards and seven touchdowns last fall. Tackle Clayton Shoemaker and center Damon Coburn are the top holdovers in an offensive line that will handle pass blocking so Jordan can get the ball to such experienced receivers as Paddy Doyle, Roderick Wright, Lifford Jackson, and tight end Jay Zaffater.

A veteran secondary anchored by safeties Barry Hamilton and David O'Neal and cornerbacks Greg Powell, Harry Jackson, and Richie Sims is the strength of a defense which lost several standout performers to gradua-

DWANE BROWN
Arkansas State



tion. Neal Atkins and redshirt freshman Eldonta Osborne are expected to make quick contributions at linebacker. Barry Bowman is back to handle the punting chores for the fourth consecutive year, but the place-kicking duties will fall to freshman Matt Stover.

McNEESE STATE

Finding enough players who will sit tall in the saddle on defense is the biggest obstacle the Cowboys must clear if they are to improve on last year's 6-3-2 record which left them ranked as high as 14th in one national poll.

Tackle Anthony Fontenot and tailback Brian McZeal are two of the headliners in an offense that should benefit from the return of seven starters. Fontenot is regarded as one of the best blockers in the conference, while McZeal hopes to add to his school-record total of 809



CYRIL CRUTCHFIELD
Northeast Louisiana

yards rushing as a freshman a year ago. Subester Brooks, who missed much of spring training with a broken hand, and redshirt freshman Scott Dieterich are the Cowboys' top quarterback candidates. Added help on offense will come from a steady group of receivers that includes Flip Johnson, Richard Andrews, Arthur Alexander, and Nelson Joseph. Alexander led the team last season with 32 receptions for 600 yards.

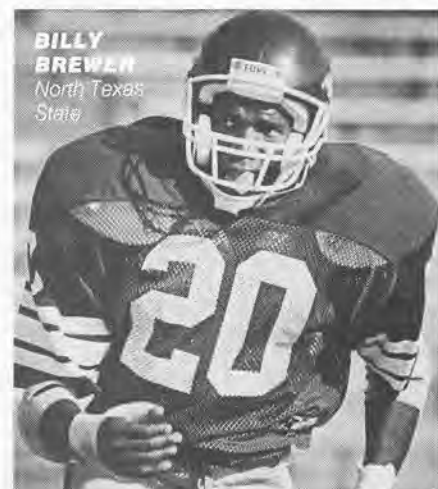
The Cowboys ranked second in the nation in scoring defense last fall, yielding an average of 11.5 points per game. During one stretch, McNeese set a school mark by holding the opposition scoreless for 13 consecutive quarters. Such acts may be hard to follow as end Gary Irvin, tackle Tracy Stringer, linebacker Marcel Mills, and cornerback Anthony Lewis are the only returning starters on defense under coach John McCann.

NORTH TEXAS STATE

Experience could be the Eagles' greatest asset this fall as 18 starters try to erase the memory of back-to-back losing seasons.

The Eagles' wishbone backfield will be in the hands of quarterback Gene Pool and fullback Monty Moon, both of whom figure prominently in coach Corky Nelson's plans. Pool started three games as a freshman last fall and Moon rushed for a team-high 507 yards. Split end Marcus Camper led NTSU in pass receiving, punt returns, and kickoff returns a year ago, making him one of the more valuable players in the SLC. Senior guard John Lott heads an offensive line that includes DeWayne Reeder, Kendal Nelson, and Joe Walker. Billy Brewer and Richard Sims are projected as the Eagles' starting halfbacks.

Lance White was a steadying influence at linebacker last season, leading the Eagles



BILLY BREWER
North Texas State

with 100 tackles. Tackle Tom Middaugh and free safety Kenneth Biggers also shared in the defensive responsibilities, combining for 139 tackles and seven sacks. Added help in the secondary could come from Tony Shaw, a transfer from Texas-Arlington, and cornerback Jerome Cooper. Tackle Mike Minter (6-3, 277) adds beef in the defensive line.

NORTHEAST LOUISIANA

Since entering the conference in 1982, the Indians have surpassed every other SLC member with 29 regular-season victories. Another banner year could be on the way as 19 starters return from last year's 6-5 effort. The offense is loaded with several standout performers and the defense returns all but one starter after finishing 10th in the nation against the pass a year ago.

Much of the Indians' strength on offense can be traced to the presence of speedy receivers Chris Jones, Benny Mitchell, and Mike Manzullo, each of whom caught 33 passes last fall. Jones averaged 23.5 yards per catch and Mitchell has run the 60 in 6.24 seconds indoors. Stan Humphries, a transfer from LSU, will start at quarterback. Fullback Jimmy Harris has led the team in rushing for two years in a row and offensive guard Scott Davis is on the verge of becoming one of the most decorated players in school history.

The lack of a dominant player on defense is the Indians' most critical problem. Roger Kelley recorded a team-high 140 tackles and eight sacks after making a rare switch from punter to linebacker, but must receive help

from tackles Claude Brumfield and Mike Yost and linebacker Terry Jones. Free safety Cyril Crutchfield and cornerback Charles Durham are leaders in an experienced defensive backfield, while Will Johnson adds strength and stability at defensive end. Kevin Duhe is back after punting for a 40-yard average in each of the last two seasons.

LAMAR

The residue of a disappointing season resulted in changes for the Cardinals, who will begin the 1986 season with new hopes and a new coaching staff. Former Rice coach Ray Alborn has assumed the task of trying to reverse a losing slide that has resulted in only seven victories the last three seasons.

Another outstanding year is needed from Burton Murchison, a bruising junior running back who led all Division I-AA players last season with 1,547 yards rushing. Murchison will line up in the Cards' new multiple offense and take handoffs from Brent Watson and Shad Smith, both of whom contended for the starting quarterback spot in spring drills. Flanker Ranzy Levias also returns after catching 15 passes a year ago.

Alja Jones, a senior tackle who was in on 95 tackles last fall, is projected to be one of the strong points of a new 4-3 defense. Sixteen of Jones's tackles came behind the line of scrimmage. The Cards must replace all three starting linebackers, but the return of starting cornerbacks Darrell Coleman and Earl Morgan should ease the transition on defense.

southwestern athletic conference

JACKSON STATE

(8-3) Coach W.C. Gordon's troops surprised the football populace last season by tying Grambling for the league championship after being tabbed as low as fifth in preseason predictions. Jackson closed with a rush, reeling off six straight victories before bowing to eventual NCAA Division I-AA champ Georgia Southern in the playoffs.

With 37 lettermen and 16 regulars in camp this season, the Tigers are primed to make another title run. Junior Shannon Boyd and senior Melvin Pete will provide 1-2 punch at quarterback. Boyd stepped in for Pete midway through the season and proceeded to throw for 1,478 yards and 11 touchdowns. Running back Russell Tillman owns all-SWAC credentials (808 yards and five rushing TDs). He also speared three scoring tosses. Stacy Mobley (5-7, 165) has the best numbers of any returning SWAC receiver: 33 catches for 787 yards and nine TDs. Flanker Terrance Hull also poses a problem for enemy secondaries. All-league tackle James Harvey (256) will line up alongside tree-size tackle Darrell Hall (6-4, 310) and guard Houston Hoover to give the interior line a large look.

Cornerback Carl Johnson and end Leon Seals are headline performers on defense. Johnson picked off eight passes, returning three all the way for TDs to tie an NCAA Division I-AA record. Seals ranked high on the league's sack chart with 14. Tackle Deatrich Wise and end Steve Martin are solid defenders up front while Andre Lloyd and Dennis Conner are linebacking stickouts. Safeties Kevin Dent and Warren Plowden are gifted. Paul McJulien will ply his skills as the punter and place-kicker.

GRAMBLING

(9-3) Eddie Robinson has gone past Paul "Bear" Bryant as college football's winningest coach, and the veteran mentor (329-109-15) is still huffing and puffing as he prepares for his 45th season with the Tigers.

The offensive unit features four All-America candidates: split end Calvin Nicholas, who's considered the best pro prospect in camp; flanker Patrick Scott, tight end Arthur Wells, and running back Wayne Hill. Scott and Nicholas were sidelined with injuries last season.

The trio of Chauncey Allen, Clemente Gordon, and Raymond Agee will toss their hats into the quarterback ring. Clyde Dyson, Sherman Cowley, and Carlos Ellison are tough runners. Flanker Terrence Rose has caught Robinson's eye. "He is our fastest player and a threat to break one any time he catches the ball," said the coach. As always, the Louisiana school will field one of the biggest offensive lines in college circles: tackles Carl Senegal (285), Darrel Smith (280), and Ricky Warren (270) and guard Jerome Penn (270). Tightened Kevin Roy (6-7, 230) presents a big passing target.

Sean Smith doubled at end and tackle last season in capturing all-SWAC honors. Johnny Carter is also adept, playing either of those defensive positions. Tackle Curtis Maxey (285) usually gets his way as a down lineman.

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

(6-5) Although their schedule shows the same 11 opponents as last season, the Jaguars are putting together a streamlined offensive machine geared to roll up big yardage this season. Coach Otis Washington, who has steered a winning course three years in a row, will pick the parts for his new model from a roster that lists 35 lettermen and 14 regulars.

If sophomore quarterback Alij Tapp, equally adept at running and throwing the ball, lives up to his advance billing, the Jaguars could make a strong bid for the SWAC title. Tapp passed for 953 yards and eight TDs as a rookie while sharing the duties with the departed Herman Coleman. Senior tailback Ronald Stone, good for eight yards per carry on 27 rushes last season, is a bonafide running threat and a deluxe kickoff returner (95-yard TD against Alabama State). Senior letterman Jeff Alexander has the inside track at running back. Flanker Farrington Johnson and end Brent Washington are competent receivers. Tackle Zach Gaston (265) gets his coach's vote as one of league's premier linemen.

All-SWAC linebacker Rufus Porter and second-team pick Mitch Livings, a 255-pound tackle, lead the defensive charge. Porter had a hand in a team-high 107 tackles and eight sacks. Nose guard Reginald Frank and tackle Anthony Hudson merit attention up front. Anthony Douglas and Chris Scott are established linebackers. The latter tied for the SWAC freshman of the year award in 1985.

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY

(8-3) It's hard to believe the Delta Devils are coming off a down year after averaging 41.5 points and 486 yards per game in 1985. But the Devils had a "believe-it-or-not" type season the previous year, when they averaged 57 points and 639 yards en route to a 9-2 record. And the offense no doubt will take another slide this season with the departure of quarterback Willie Totten.

Replacing Wonderful Willie, who set 75 NCAA career passing and total-offense records, is not the only problem facing coach Archie "Gunslinger" Cooley. Also missing are the team's top receiver (Joe Thomas) and

leading rusher (Carl Byrum). Sophomore Thomas Leonard and freshman Thomas Townsend, who excels as both a runner and passer, will attempt to fill Totten's shoes. Emmitt Matthews (220) is a strong running back and Rodney Hill has the tools to make it big as a receiver. He hauled in 21 passes for 466 yards and eight touchdowns last season. James Thompson (6-5, 309), Dana Whitaker, and Quincy Patterson (6-3, 350) are up front.

Tackle Paul Jones (270) has what it takes in the defensive trenches (10 sacks), as does tackle Marion Bedford. Linebacker Vincent Brown deserves top billing after leading the team with 156 tackles. Safety Clarence Trotter (five interceptions) and cornerback Aaron Williams are leaders in the secondary.

ALCORN STATE

(7-3) Tradition is the key word for the Braves, who lack a proven quarterback. There's a winning atmosphere around the Alcorn campus, with the Braves forging a 23-7 record over the last three seasons.

Replacing Richard Myles, the school's all-time leading passer (5,474 yards), will be the primary challenge facing new coach Theo Danzy. Tailback Perry Qualls, the Braves' top rusher a year ago, and heralded center Tony Knox also will be difficult to replace. Ten regulars, headed by wide receiver Milton Barney, are among 26 returning lettermen who will greet the new coach. Barney hauled in 31 passes for 452 yards, and he is capable of more if a competent passer steps forth. Tailback Cedric Bush has multiple skills. Senior Robert Washington (6-4, 251) packs all-star punch in the offensive line, which shapes up as the school's best in recent years.

The secondary positions will be manned by three returning starters. Heading the trio is senior cornerback Milton Mack, who is regarded as the Braves' No. 1 pro prospect. Sophomore Elliot Smith, who played like a veteran last year, and Bilal Malik are seasoned defensive backs. Ditto for end Michael Lee and linebacker Joseph James.

TEXAS SOUTHERN

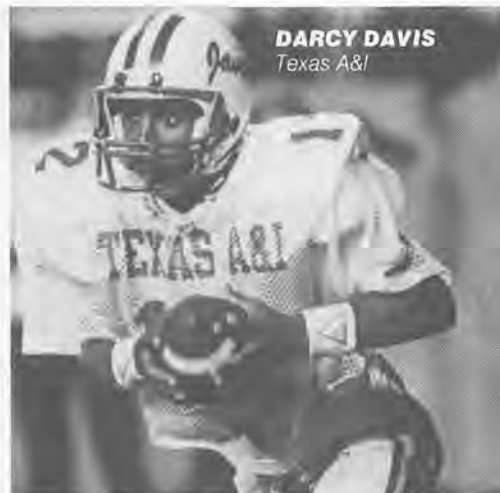
(1-10) Lionel Taylor earned his keep as a standout receiver in the pro ranks, but the third-year Tiger grid boss is stressing defense as he attempts to rebound from last season's nightmarish showing.

Eight defensive regulars return among the crop of 27 lettermen. End Warren Bone makes his presence felt, as does his counterpart on the opposite side, Adrian Eckford. Tackle Tracy Donavon bolsters the line. Sophomores Terrance Crump and John Mott join junior Rowan Myers to provide steady linebacking. Safeties Lee Dunn and Avery Huff are strong links in the secondary. All-SWAC punter Curtis Moody, who averaged 44 yards on 67 attempts, has the pro scouts interested.

Junior letterman Sean Cook has inherited the starting quarterback job. His primary target will be the talented Darrell Colbert, who has been pegged an All-America candidate. Donald Narcisse and Leonard Moon complement the receiving corps. Halfback Nathaniel Johnson is coming off a fine soph season that saw him pile up 561 yards. Tackle Kenneth Munson will throw his frame (6-2, 305) at opposing linemen. Guard Darrell Green also merits attention.

ALABAMA STATE

(3-8) With only three conference victories to show in four seasons as the newest SWAC member, the Hornets will be hard pressed to shake their losing image in 1986. But coach James Parker will give it his best shot with a



DARCY DAVIS
Texas A&M

squad that numbers 15 regulars among 33 returning lettermen.

Among the missing faces is quarterback Anthony Benjamin, who created some aerial excitement by throwing for 1,720 yards last season. If Parker is able to find a competent quarterback replacement, the passing game could prove dangerous. The team's leading receiver, tight end Darryl Pearson, is primed for another banner season. Wideout Darryl Sinkfield also bears watching. Running back Darron Jenkins helps balance the offensive scales. Andre Cleveland, William Collins, and Anthony McElhaney return on the line.

The defensive alignment is not lacking in experience. Tommy Oliver, John Hines, and Anthony Crook are key returnees up front. Eddie Cook, Robert Pritchard, and James Tillman are topnotch linebackers. Edwin Ross, Walter Williams, and Charles Staples assures solid protection in the secondary.

PRAIRIE VIEW

(2-9) After suffering through back-to-back winless seasons, the Panthers finally got the monkey off their back in 1985, and coach Conway Hayman has ample reason to be optimistic as he enters his third season.

Wide receiver Bruce Walker heads a cast of 20 returning regulars. The 6-1, 185-pound senior is being touted for All-America honors after leading the team with 35 catches and 646 yards last year. Junior Ernest Brow has his name stamped on the quarterback position with sophomore Ira Holland in reserve. Brow threw for 1,693 yards as a soph, and he is expected to surpass that output in 1986 with the top three receivers returning. Besides Walker, Brian Gardner (18 catches for 302 yards) and Greg Montgomery (21 for 269) also present inviting targets. Senior running backs Cravon Rogers and Adrian Haynes are being counted on to fuel a ground attack that averaged only 59 yards per game. John Allen and Sherman Smith, a pair of 260-pound senior stalwarts, will clear the path up front. Tight end Joseph Harris, Eric Gray, and Clinton Bell are experienced linemen.

Proven linebackers are available in Eugene Jones, Sam Caldwell, James Manuel, and Aaron Longino. Faatafa Tumanuvao (6-0, 300) and Vincent Huffpower (5-11, 230) furnish bulk in the trenches. Rodney Thompson lends expertise as a defensive back.

lone star conference

WEST TEXAS STATE

(6-3-1) If ever a first-year conference member could be pegged as a feared opponent, the Buffalos fit that description as they embark on

their initial Lone Star Conference campaign. Coach Bill Kelly will make his title bid with a squad that includes 20 regulars among 31 returning lettermen. The Buffs had won only six games in three seasons before Kelly's arrival last year. Previously, he had turned things around at Snow Junior College in Idaho and at Eastern New Mexico.

Quarterback Tod Mayfield, coming off a record-shattering junior season, and senior wide receiver Stan Carraway lead the offense. Mayfield hit 60.9 percent of his passes for 3,432 yards and 21 TDs. Carraway hauled in 79 receptions for 1,237 yards and 11 TDs. Senior fullback James Morton rushed for a team-best 626 yards. Joe Davis merits attention at tailback. Tight end Jerald Welch, tackle Steve McMurtry, and guards Greg Hein and Lou Serrano are dependable linemen.

Linebacker Anthony Miller, cornerback Todd Littlejohn, and safety Kevin Ludwig are being mentioned for All-America honors. Darrell Jordan, Joe Yankovich, and David Wood are crack linebackers. Tackle Tracey Hamilton and nose guard David Newman are solid linemen. Kevin Brown, who just missed winning the MVC punting crown (40.1 average), and Kyle Carter (17-of-17 PATs and 3-of-3 FGs) assure a strong kicking game.

TEXAS A&I

(8-3) The Javelinas returned to the Lone Star throne room for the first time since 1979 by posting a perfect 5-0 conference record. And coach Ron Harms has to be optimistic about his team's title chances in 1986 with 17 regulars listed among 27 lettermen.

Drawing most of the attention will be running back Heath Sherman, who gained freshman of the year honors by rushing for a league-high 1,111 yards. Junior Anthony Jiles will supply added ground punch. Quarterback Darcy Davis lends balance to the attack after throwing for 1,348 yards as a sophomore. James Collins is a proven wide receiver (21 catches for 440 yards) and tight end Mike Dyal also will keep defenses honest. The senior trio of guards Moses Horn and John Fletcher and tackle Kenneth Mueller brings size and savvy to the line.

The Javelinas, who claimed the league's stingiest defense against the rush (90 yards per game), will be strong again. Tackle Wilmer Green was one of the top linemen as a freshman last year. Linebackers Kevin Beasley, Greg McCathern, David Malesky, and Warren Polk are experienced. All-LSC defensive back Ricky Collins and Wayne Tubbs are the top names in the secondary. Walter Rule, who tied an NCAA record last season with five field goals against East Texas State, is a talented kicker.

ANGELO STATE

(7-4) The Rams failed to repeat as league champions last season, settling for a second-place tie with Eastern New Mexico. But coach Jerry Vandergriff's team appears capable of making a loud noise in the 1986 title chase.

There is a star-studded cast of 13 returning regulars, headed by four all-LSC performers: quarterback Ned Cox, saluted for the second straight year; offensive tackle Pat Graves, defensive tackle Pierce Holt, and punter Pete Hibler. Cox threw for 2,228 yards and 14 touchdowns, but his favorite receiver, Glen Soule (41 catches for 647 yards) will be sorely missed. Split end Charles Mott, flanker Kelvin Kelley, and the multitasking Derrick Campbell will try to take up the slack. Also missing is running back Wesley Williams, who rambled for a team-leading 1,006 yards, good for sec-

ond place on the league chart. Center Phyllip Fletcher is a formidable figure on the line.

An amazing figure showed up on last season's statistical chart: the Rams and conference champ Texas A&I finished in a dead heat for the total-defense lead with identical yields of 310.7 yards per game. Holt and his defensive cronies will try to reduce that figure. End Inard Mabry offers fine protection while Richard Foster and Henry Alsbrooks are dependable linebackers. James Spikes and Greg Dunn plug gaps at the corners.

EASTERN NEW MEXICO

(5-5) In their initial season of competition for the Lone Star Conference crown, the Greyhounds raised some eyebrows by reeling off three straight league wins to earn a shot at the title. However, Texas A&I prevailed in the season finale, 21-17, forcing first-year coach Don Carthel to settle for a second-place tie.

Sophomore Tommy Gonzalez, who started three games at quarterback, will direct a backfield that includes fullback Eric Craig and versatile tailback Rufus Smith, who led the nation in kickoff returns (35.1 average). All-conference split end Derrick Harden has graduated, but the Hounds are not hurting at this position with sophomore Robert Griggs and Efrem Evans. The offensive line provided the biggest surprise in spring drills. Tight end Scott Eccles owns all-conference credentials and Alvin Hargers also is a proven hand at this position. Another all-LSC performer, guard John Gossett, returns up front where redshirt tackle Clifton Thompson will make his presence felt. R. J. Wiley, a starting guard last season, has been moved to center. Soph tackle Juan Sotres is back to claim his starting job.

On defense, the tackles are strong with seniors Dwight Washington and Anthony Hurd. Cecil Jackson, the team leader in tackles and sacks, returns, as does Johnny Brantley, thus assuring steady linebacking. Safety Mike Meeks (5 interceptions) is a stickout.

ABILENE CHRISTIAN

(5-4-2) After a 3-0-1 takeoff last season, the aerial-minded Wildcats lost altitude during their 11-game flight, winning only two games down the stretch in John Payne's first season on the job. But the Christians hope to improve on that showing with record-setting passer Rex Lamberti at the controls. As a sophomore, Lamberti became the first quarterback in Lone Star Conference history to throw for more than 3,000 yards, hitting on 228 of 427 attempts for 3,010 yards and 24 touchdowns. The crop of 32 lettermen (12 regulars) also includes senior wide receiver Reggie McGowan, who speared 54 passes for 947 yards and 11 TDs. Running back Leo Stallworth and fullback Gerald Todd, both sophs, should help an offense which averaged only 75 yards on the ground last season. Other offensive mainstays include senior guard Eddie DeShong, sophomore tight end Mark Stevens, and center Rex Snell. Tackle Richard Van Druten adds beefs up front.

End Mark McIntyre, a second-team all-LSC choice as a sophomore, and senior linebacker Monte Richburg, who led the team with 11 sacks, are defensive stalwarts. Jeff Brown, Jesse Bonner, and Theoplis Hickman patrol the secondary. Linebacker Steven Ates has starting time under his belt. Mark Turner will full the dual role of punter and place-kicker.

EAST TEXAS STATE

(5-5) After posting back-to-back .500 seasons, the Lions enter the 1986 campaign with a new coach. Eddie Vowell has moved up from defensive coordinator to replace Ernest

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Hawkins, who stepped down as the winningest coach in ETSU annals (132-92-6).

Sophomore Royce Slechta and junior Mike Trigg will battle for the quarterback job. Slechta, who filled in nicely for a lame Trigg last season, put some fancy numbers on the board, completing 58 percent of his passes for 1,114 yards and 16 touchdowns. Wes Smith, who rewrote the LSC record book with 160 career catches for 2,668 yards and 28 touchdowns, leaves some big shoes to fill. Wide receiver Mark Eno (25 catches for 429 yards) and tight end Robert Giddens (18 for 326) return. David Ciszewski will lend support on the ground. Tackle Jim Box and Don Walker figure prominently up front, as does guard Curtis Langston.

Shoring up a porous defense that ranked last in the LSC with a yield of 375.6 yards per game is a concern. Ends Byron Bell and Dexter Harvey carry juco All-America ranking. Tackles Lawrence Motton and Mark Kerr will team with nose guard Joe Jackson in the middle. Corners Stacy Williams and Daven Overstreet are polished defenders. Mike Ciszewski and John Slovák graded out high as rookie linebackers last season. All-conference Vince Stowers (seven interceptions) and Brian Michaelson (six thefts) are standouts in the secondary. Dan Roberson will handle the punting and placekicking.

HOWARD PAYNE

(2-6-2) It's been awhile since the football gods smiled on this Baptist institution. In fact, the Yellow Jackets have not reached the .500 mark since going 9-1 en route to the 1971 LSC championship. Jerry Millsapps has inherited the head coaching job from Bill Hicks, who has joined the University of Texas staff.

Putting an improved offensive unit on the field will be the top priority. Last year the Jackets brought up the rear in both total offense (208.7 yards) and scoring offense (9.8 points). There is hope, however, in the form of 16 lettermen with junior quarterback Danny Rogers the only non-regular in the group. Sid Grant and tight end Chuck Bailey stack up as the top receivers. Stuart Burleson and Wade Goddard are formidable targets. Tackle Bill Day and center Roy Wilkins are sturdy.

Tackle David Smith and end Cord Woerner are sparklers on the defensive line that shapes up as a strong point. Seniors Greg Fisher, Brent Petross, and Darrell Williams return in the secondary. Kirk Duffer and Jackie Pruitt are durable linebackers. Mike Shaffer will handle the place-kicking chores while Rogers is ticketed for punting duties.

gulf star conference

SAM HOUSTON STATE

(8-3, 4-1) The Bearkats may have lost quarterback Lanny Dycus, the conference player of the year, but feature six starters on offense and defense from last season's co-championship squad. Coach Ron Randleman hopes junior Reggie Lewis can provide results similar to Dycus's. Lewis joins an offense led by senior tailback Luther Turner (917 yards, 15 TDs), last season's GSC scoring leader, and junior fullback J.J. Middleton. Senior tackle Brett Kaiser (6-7, 270) anchors a solid line.

The Bearkats were first in the conference against the run and they'll have a line with its key parts intact. Defensive end Carl Willis has graduated, and the secondary, last in pass defense, returns only two starters. Randleman

needs an improved backfield in 1986 in order to repeat as champions.

NORTHWESTERN STATE

(3-8, 2-3) The Demons fell to fifth place in 1985 after being co-conference champs the year before. Coach Sam Goodwin is gambling with his '86 lineup by shifting several key players in an attempt to reverse his team's fortunes. First he moved All-America wide receiver Odessa Turner to free safety, then he converted all-GSC defensive end James Hall to linebacker. Hall will combine with all-conference J.T. Fenceroy and '85 starter Anthony Jackson. The Demons lost three starters in the defensive backfield and Goodwin is banking on Turner to help fill the void.

The offense is highlighted by all-GSC running back John Stephens, who led the conference in rushing (1,001 yards). He'll be joined in the backfield by redshirt freshman Al Edwards. Rob Fabrizio and Rusty Slack vie for quarterback. Their targets will be wideouts Floyd Turner and Chris Morris. The kicking game is secure with Keith Hodnett and punter Mike Crow returning from all-conference performances in '85.

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN

(9-2, 4-1) The co-conference champion Lumberjacks return with 37 lettermen in '86. They are led by senior quarterback Todd Whitten, who completed 51.7 percent of his passes for 2,599 yards and 27 TDs. His favorite targets, Floyd Dixon and James Noble, have graduated but all-GSC tight end John Evans and running back Andrew Ray (1,095 total yards, 10 TDs) are back to lead a potent attack. The line is strong with four starters returning, including all-star guard Spencer Leftwich.

The defense will be coach Jim Hess's major concern, with only four starters remaining from the '85 campaign. Two-time all-GSC weak safety Darrell Harkless is back to call signals for an otherwise untested unit.

NICHOLLS STATE

(6-5, 2-3) The Colonels return with perhaps the Gulf Star's best passing combination in senior quarterback Doug Hudson (179 of 366 for 2,438 yards, 16 TDs) and wide receiver Mark Carrier (43 receptions for 758 yards). Also on hand will be the entire line, led by All-America guard Lynn Bychurch and all-GSC tackle Patrick Patton. Freshman Bernard Jackson replaces tailback Oscar Smith.

Defensively, the Colonels are piloted by nose guard Darnell Carmouche and linebacker Thaddeus Lumar. The secondary is greatly improved with the addition of all-GSC cornerback Tim Whalley, a transfer from Southeastern who joins returnees Dexter Carter and Thomas Williams. Coach Sonny Jackson is confident that the Colonels will contend for the conference title.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE

(2-9, 1-4) Quarterback David Haas, last year's freshman player of the year, leads an offense that includes sophomore running backs Gerard Bickman and Roy Thomas. The all-soph backfield may prove to be explosive with the return of the entire offensive line. Junior James White, a transfer from Texas-Arlington, fills in at wide receiver.

The Bobcats have nine defensive starters returning. Linebacker Shawn Woods and cornerback Eugene Rodgers, all-GSC juniors, anchor an experienced unit. The kicking game is questionable and coach John O'Hara expects improvement.

independents

TEXAS LUTHERAN

Improved consistency on offense could become the Bulldogs' hallmark this fall as several skilled performers are among five returning starters who played key roles on last year's 6-3 team, the third consecutive winning season under Vernon Fewell.

Quarterback John Fuquay started eight games last year as a freshman and led the team with nine touchdowns. Fuquay, who also generated an average of 157 yards total offense per game, will be joined in the starting backfield by junior running back Val Herrera. Tight end Frank Raines adds teeth to the Bulldogs' offense as a pass receiver, while end Tommy Psencik and tackle Alan Witte are solidifying factors in the defensive line. Witte, a 6-foot-2, 250-pound All-America candidate, was in on 57 tackles as a junior.

TRINITY

An offensive backfield filled with freshmen a year ago took its lumps as the Tigers stumbled to a 1-7 record. Considerable improvement is expected this fall as coach Gene Norris welcomes back 24 lettermen and four of his top five running backs from last season's squad. Robert Adams, Jimmy Whitney, and Duke Johnston, a trio of sophomore running backs, should benefit from their first year of college experience.

Mike Frazier and Bill Tschirhart both return after splitting time at quarterback a year ago. Senior flanker Jody Thompson will serve as the Tigers' top pass target. Anchors in the line include two-way starters Brent Beesley, Eric Sather, David Tomkewitz, Bob Blanchard, and Earl Williams. Finding a replacement for two-time All-America punter Tim Horvath is one of the Tigers' most important projects.

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AUSTIN COLLEGE

(7-3) Although leading the league statistical chart in seven categories, the Kangaroos came up needing one additional win to hop past Sul Ross in the final standings. This created a tie for the top spot.

Coach Mel Tjeerdema has 17 starters listed among his 33 returnees. Quarterback Todd Elliott, the TIAA total-offense leader, is back. The league's two top rushers, Troy Clark and Roger McKnight, also return to spark the ground game. Otis Amy (43 catches for 574 yards) poses a dangerous target. He was the league's leading punt returner (9.7 average) in capturing freshman of the year honors. Tackle Randall Stanley carries all-TIAA credentials while center Joe Bridges, guard Adam Haynes, and tackle Aldo Billingslea are also solid.

Four all-league performers, headed by NAIA All-America linebacker Henry Miller, return on defense. Tackle Wayne Rowlett, center Mark Booth, and free safety Curtis Lewis round out the all-star cast. Other key players are nose guard Scott Miller, linebacker Matt Kyle, cornerback Anthony Patrick, and strong safety Jack Wylie.

SUL ROSS

(5-4) The Lobos lived by the pass last season, but they could die by it in 1986 unless the new cast of characters can take up the slack left by the departure of three players who had star-

ring roles for the TIAA co-champs.

Graduation took NAIA All-America receivers Wade West and Maurice Stephens off the stage. The curtain also came down on the career of all-TIAA quarterback Gilbert Morales. Coach Ralph Micheli, beginning his second season, is counting on senior quarterback Todd McVey, who has a strong arm but seen limited playing time the past two seasons. Newcomers Lyn Shackleford and Randall Collins will be tested at tight end and wide receiver, respectively. John Lewis, the TIAA 100-meter dash champ, is one running back. The line appears solid with an experienced quartet of Larry Hartwick, John Schmidt, Tom Homrighaus, and Chris Cummings.

Tackles James Day and Darren Taylor are key hands in the defensive line. Lawrence Montegut is the team's top linebacker; Francis Jones is being counted on to take charge in the secondary. Tackle Kagan Hutton is back for his second stint in a Sul Ross uniform after spending a year at Tarleton State.

TARLETON

(3-7) Victories were hard to come by for the Texans last season, but they made their three count to salvage a .500 record in league play. The highlight was a 24-21 win over Austin College. Mike Myers won it by booting a 30-yard field goal with 23 seconds to go.

Myers, a sophomore, is among 18 regulars this season, but a pair of transfer quarterbacks held the spotlight in spring drills. Danny David (North Texas) and Ricky Griffith (Howard Payne) will compete for the starting job held the past two seasons by Kevin Dorn, who has been converted into a cornerback. Deral Henderson and Gaylon Bowser spark the run. Other offensive performers include tight end Melvin Modesty, guards Mark Baskin and Ricky Oliver, and tackle Perry Bukowski.

Heading the defensive alignment are end Dexter Howard, tackle James Spurlock, and linebacker Bing Canion. Lending Dorn help in the secondary will be the seasoned trio of cornerback John Johnson and safeties Jimmy Hodges and Craig Hancock. Linebackers Sam Toliver and Robert Ivey, tackles James Spurlock and Mike Rizzo, and end Ronald Mindrup also figure prominently. Stan Smith, the loop's No. 2-ranked punter, joins Myers to give the Texans a talented kicking tandem.

McMURRY

(1-9) The Indians can count only four triumphs since tying Sul Ross for the TIAA crown in 1983. Coach Don Birmingham is calling for more overall team quickness.

Leading the squad are senior linebacker Chris Joseph and junior wide receiver Butch Hedgeman. Joseph was voted the TIAA's defensive player of the year while Hedgeman ranked among the league's premier receivers.

Kurt Ashmore returns as the starting quarterback. Experienced running backs are available in Ricky Cullum and Scotty Reasonover. John Gomez and Pat Richards will challenge for playing time. Vince McDaniels, a starting cornerback last season, has been moved to running back. Tackles Tracy Stephens and Bobby Chaney are line stalwarts along with guard Mike Chaney and center Hunter Ohlen.

End Todd Gerries and tackle Iverson Godfrey will stabilize the defensive front. Safeties Brad Danford and Wade Williams and cornerback Jack Whitely are capable. Keith Davids and Tony Ford will make their presence felt.

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rockies

by JOHN BLANCHETTE

SPOKANE SPOKESMAN-REVIEW

● If the averages hold, it will happen on an October Saturday against Brigham Young, and just how fitting is that? It seems that any time a guy like Steve Bartalo has a chance to make people acknowledge him—to grab them by their sense of history and roar, "I am somebody"—he has to pry their attention away from People magazine to do it.

O.K., so maybe BYU isn't the People type. That's exactly the point. Rockies football has little enough glitz as it is. There's one, maybe two, glamour programs, and seeing as they're run by the Mormon church and the military, glamour is a relative term. In either case, a player is likely to make it to Nicaragua—due to religion or revolution—before he makes it to the NFL. But the only Western Athletic Conference teams known to the bowl committees and the pollsters are BYU and Air Force, and if you're going to get noticed at all it's by tracking mud on their white shirts and dress blues. Otherwise, if you're, say, Colorado State, why on earth would anyone notice you?

Steve Bartalo understands. There was a time that not even Colorado State would notice him, so he made them take notice. Then he made the rest of the WAC take notice by leading the league in rushing three straight seasons. Who knows who might look up if he completes the grand slam?

"Sure it gets frustrating being in BYU's shadow," he concedes, "but BYU has gone out and proven itself year in and year out against tough competition. They've earned the respect of the nation and the conference. If we want to get out of the shadow, we have to go out and earn that respect, too."

Respect will stick to Bartalo even if he never gains another yard, but that's an unlikely scenario. Sometime during the 1986 season he will become the WAC's all-time leading rusher, his 3,394 total yards after three seasons currently leaving him just 468 behind New Mexico's Mike Williams. He's the NCAA's leading active rusher entering the 1986 season, and an average output—between 1,100 and 1,200 yards—will have him knocking on the door of college football's career top 10.

If Bartalo were a BYU quarterback, that would be no big deal. The career passing efficiency list fairly teems with Cougars. But even Bartalo—a high school quarterback, interestingly enough—never fantasized about winging 'em for the Y. "We ran the option in high school," he recalls, "and the first game I ever played as quarterback, I tried five passes and three of them were intercepted."

End of quarterback career? Hardly. Though Air Force gave him a cursory look, Bartalo decided to walk on without a scholarship at Colorado State. He spent the fall of 1982 as the Rams' scout team quarterback, "basically getting my butt kicked running everybody else's offense." He ran Air Force's flexbone, Wyoming's wishbone, Missouri's option attack. He ran them well enough that the CSU staff moved him to running back the next spring. But he still didn't have a scholarship.



MARK BELLINI
Brigham Young

predictions

western athletic conference

1. Brigham Young, 2. Utah, 3. Air Force, 4. Hawaii, 5. Colorado State, 6. San Diego State, 7. Wyoming, 8. New Mexico, 9. Texas-El Paso

big sky conference

1. Nevada-Reno, 2. Boise State, 3. Idaho, 4. Idaho State, 5. Northern Arizona, 6. Montana State, 7. Montana, 8. Weber State

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1. Eastern Washington

1986 all-rockies team

offense

Quarterback . . . Eric Beavers . . . SR . . . Nevada-Reno
Running back . . . Steve Bartalo . . . SR . . . Colorado State
Running back . . . Pat Evans . . . SR . . . Air Force
Wide receiver . . . Mark Bellini . . . SR . . . Brigham Young
Wide receiver . . . Loren Richey . . . SR . . . Utah
Tight end . . . Trevor Molini . . . JR . . . Brigham Young
Line . . . Guy Goar . . . SR . . . Colorado State
Line . . . Dave Aronson . . . SR . . . San Diego State
Line . . . Edgar Mitchell . . . SR . . . Colorado State
Line . . . Pete Baldacci . . . SR . . . Wyoming
Line . . . Bob Brown . . . SR . . . Nevada-Reno
Kicker . . . Martin Zendejas . . . JR . . . Nevada-Reno

defense

Line . . . Jason Buck . . . SR . . . Brigham Young
Line . . . Al Noga . . . JR . . . Hawaii
Line . . . Shawn Knight . . . SR . . . Brigham Young
Line . . . Levi Esene . . . SR . . . San Diego State
Linebacker . . . Terry Maki . . . SR . . . Air Force
Linebacker . . . Tom Hennessey . . . SR . . . Idaho
Linebacker . . . Jim Ellis . . . SR . . . Boise State
Linebacker . . . Thad Jefferson . . . SR . . . Hawaii
Back . . . Tom Rotello . . . SR . . . Air Force
Back . . . George Duarte . . . SR . . . Northern Arizona
Back . . . Rodney Thomas . . . JR . . . Brigham Young
Back . . . Jamie Fitzgerald . . . SR . . . Idaho State
Punter . . . Mark Simon . . . SR . . . Air Force

He didn't have much hope of playing, either, until CSU's offense sputtered miserably to open the '83 season. The Rams scored just 13 points in the opener against Air Force and were shut out against Hawaii. Bartalo hadn't even made the trip to the islands, but in the middle of a 31-3 blowout at Colorado the next week, CSU had run out of options. The third-string running back was the last resort. As might be expected, Bartalo remembers the



LAKEI HEIMULI

play. "It was a third down and we needed one yard. I got it and just stayed in from then on." The next week at Iowa State, Bartalo carried the ball 43 times. By season's end, he'd rushed for 1,113 yards. And he still didn't have a scholarship. By that time, he thought he deserved one.

"There's not any reason in the world anybody should have recruited me out of high school," he admits. "I'm not that big (5-9, about 195 pounds) and I'm not a blazer (4.6 in the 40). And I don't think anybody, even my close friends, knew how important football was to me. But what you see in high school isn't necessarily the final product. Keli McGregor was an All-America tight end for us. He was a walk-on, too, but he grew three inches and 60 pounds. I wanted to play so bad, and I've got a big enough heart that I can play."

Heart is what Bartalo and the rest of the WAC must take this year. The dynamic duo of BYU and Air Force both lost a bunch of starters

and, more importantly, the league's two best quarterbacks. The Cougars, as we've come to realize, reload rather than rebuild, but since evolving into one of the WAC's elite, the Junior Birdmen have never had to replace so many key performers. That may be a good omen for CSU, Utah, or Hawaii, who appear to make up the WAC's middle class.

Big Sky biggies must contend with losses, too. Idaho won its first championship since 1971 and must cope with a new coach, Keith Gilbertson, who took over when Dennis Erickson escaped to Wyoming. Nevada-Reno, which lost an early season showdown with the Vandals and, thus, the title, was certainly the most dominant runner-up in league history. The Wolf Pack had seven all-conference first-team selections on defense and must replace five of those. Boise State, meanwhile, has given up on quarterback Hazzen Choates, a starter since his freshman year. And yet the middle class still may not have a chance.

western athletic conference

BRIGHAM YOUNG

"Next!" Isn't that what they hollar at BYU when the quarterback graduates? Gifford Nielsen moves on, roll in Marc Wilson. Wilson rolls out, Jim McMahon shuffles in. Steve Young. Robbie Bosco. Next? Next is a lottery. Senior Steve Lindsley and Young's little brother, Mike, a junior, are the leading candidates to



TREVOR MOLINI

become the next BYU legend, though sophomores Bob Jensen and Sean Covey are in the hunt. The Cougars will miss Bosco's production (8,148 yards passing in two years) and remember fondly his courage in the 1984 Holiday Bowl victory that nailed down the national championship, but they won't miss the school-record 24 interceptions he threw last year.

Yet the Cougars might be vulnerable to the interception again if coach LaVell Edwards

can't rebuild the front wall. The lone starter back is guard John Borgia (6-3, 283) and injuries have slowed the development of potential regulars Dave King (6-5, 267), John Hunter (6-7, 272), and Doug Rawlinson (6-5, 309). With Chris Matau (280) and Brian Rodoni (6-4, 273) also penciled in, the Cougars certainly have size if not experience.

Experience and talent are present in all the skill positions save quarterback. If receivers make a quarterback, then Bosco's successor has it made thanks to the return of all-WAC selections Mark Bellini (63 catches, 1,008 yards) at wideout and Trevor Molini (63-849) at tight end. David Miles heads the list of other holdover receivers, and the Cougs landed a JC All-America in Richard Zayas from Grossmont College. Backs stay busy in the BYU system, too, and one of the best the Cougars have produced is fullback Lakei Heimuli (857 yards rushing, 66-459 receiving), another all-WAC pick. Knee surgery will keep tailback Tom Tuipulotu (587) out this season, so Heimuli will play some there and Bruce Hansen will check in at fullback.

Despite the uncertainty at quarterback, Edwards is more concerned about his defense, the WAC's best a year ago and—would you believe it?—18th nationally. Graduation produced losses at linebacker and in the secondary, but the Cougars can build around the premier tackles in the league in Jason Buck (6-6, 270), an Outland Trophy candidate and the WAC's defensive player of the year, and Shawn Knight (6-6, 288), who missed the 1985 opener because of a broken arm. David Futrell (272) is the heir apparent at nose guard.

Three-year starters Leon White and Cary Whittingham and Butkus Award finalist Kurt Gouveia were lost at linebacker and veterans Ladd Akeo and Steve Sanders skipped spring ball because of injuries. Thor Salanoa moves over from fullback and Steve Kaufus (6-4, 239) arrives from defensive end to plug the holes. In the secondary, leading interceptor Rodney Thomas (five) will put his 4.47 speed to work to help three new starters who will come from a group that includes seniors Shane Shumway, Corey Rasmussen, and Jeff Wilcox, plus JC imports Darrin Lambert and Rodney Rice.

Again, the Cougars must retool their special teams, with return man Vai Sikahema the biggest loss. JC transfer Leonard Chitty and Jason Chaffetz will battle for the place-kicking job, and Pat Thompson is the likely punter.

UTAH

Jim Fassel must live right because at times in 1985 the Utes were the leakiest team in captivity. Yet they rode a 5-0 start to an 8-4 campaign. Not too bad for a first-year coach.

The defense was non-existent on occasion. Twice the Utes yielded more than 600 yards—and won. Five times they surrendered 37 or more points, and they won three of those. The flip side was a plus-14 in the turnover department, but this unit needs improvement. The familiar good news-bad news equation is that only three starters return: senior safety Mike Jones and tackles Jeff McMillian (6-3, 290) and Gamaliel Rivers (245).

The man bound to be missed the most is Errol Tucker, whose remarkable season included NCAA titles in punt and kickoff returns and seven touchdowns via punt, kick, or interception runback. The corners likely will be taken over by Clarence Fields, Tom Pritchett, and

Patrick Kennedy, while a JC player, Sean Robertson, will shore up the hole at free safety. Fassel also tapped the JC well for linebacking help in the form of P.J. Williams (234), Kevin Hawn, and Tika Manu (6-4, 258) to help holdovers Mark Geiselmayer and Lance Wingert. Rivers will shift to nose guard and Steve Baker or JC transfer Brian Wise (6-6, 253) will probably step in.

Fassel's reputation is that of an offensive wizard, and that didn't suffer in '85. The Utes ranked 16th nationally in total offense, yet, amazingly, only fifth in the WAC. Eight starters from that unit return, including ringleader



LARRY EGGER
Utah



ANDRE GUARDI

Larry Egger, the league's rookie of the year who threw for more yards (2,988) than any quarterback aside from BYU's Bosco but who showed a weakness for the interception (22). His favorite target, Loren Richey (73-971), returns, as do three other starters: wideout James Hardy (31-522), tight end Don Woodward, and U-back Craig McEwen. Two years ago, Eddie Johnson gained more than 1,000 yards. He's healthy after an up-and-down '85, but the fullback spot is wide open. Making the holes will be returning line starters Gary Andersen (6-4, 271), Isaako Poti (285), and Montel Bryant (240), plus a promising Craig Kaminiski (6-6, 272).

Kicker Andre Guardi is the WAC's best, with a string of 88 PATs heading into the season and an 18-22 mark on field goals last year. JC recruit Don Cruise (41.7) may take over the punting duties. Five conference home games and last year's taste of success should fuel some big expectations in Salt Lake City.

AIR FORCE

Here's an easy question. Who was the WAC's offensive player of the year in 1985? Had to be BYU's Bosco, right? After all, he was third in the Heisman Trophy balloting. No? How about CSU's Bartalo, the league-leading rusher for the third straight year? No? Would you believe a quarterback who didn't even qualify for the NCAA's passing efficiency ratings?

That would be Bart Weiss, who, if anything, operated the Air Force flexbone even more skillfully than his predecessor, Marty Louthan. Weiss rushed for 1,032 yards, passed for 1,449 more, and was intercepted just four times in leading the Falcons to a share of the WAC title and a No. 6 ranking in the Associated Press final poll. But Weiss is gone and so is his relief, Brian Knorr, which leaves coach Fisher DeBerry doing an eenie-meenie number with Troy Calhoun, Jim Sturgeon, and Scott Wolfe.

DeBerry is doing that a lot. Only two starters return on offense, but one of them is Pat Evans, a 1,000-yard fullback from two years ago who struggled through an injury-filled '85 season but rebounded to claim MVP honors in the Bluebonnet Bowl, with Air Force winning its fourth straight postseason game. Johnny Smith (722 yards) got a lot of work when Evans couldn't, but there's little experience at halfback, where Marc Munafa and Grant Morris are the top holdovers. Leading receiver Ken Carpenter is gone, but Tyrone Jeffcoat is an able replacement. Steve Hendrickson (245) is the only starter back in the line, but the beauty of winning 12 games by an average margin of 25 points was that subs like Mike Loughman (242), David Gaines, Roy Garcia, and John Teague played a lot. B.J. Shwedo is the hopeful at tight end.

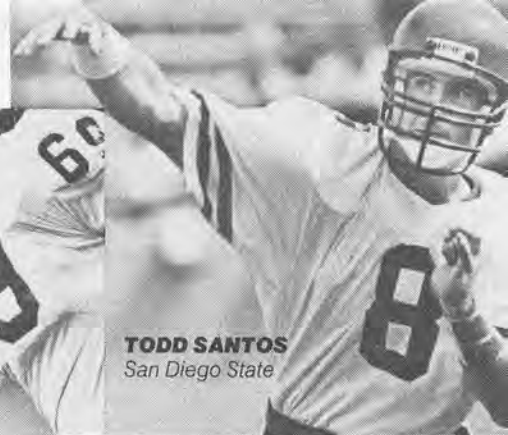
The numbers are better on defense, but the Falcons lost a lot of quality there, particularly in the secondary, where Scott Thomas was one of the nation's best. All-WAC cornerback Tom Rotello led the league with eight intercep-

STEVE BARTALO

Colorado State



LEVI ESENE



TODD SANTOS
San Diego State



DOUG ARONSON

tions and will try to stabilize a unit also manned by Mike Toliver, Steve Sigler, and E.J. Jones. Another all-WAC performer is linebacker Terry Maki (236), whom the Falcons are billing as a Lombardi Trophy candidate after a 30-tackle performance against Notre Dame. He and Ty Hankamer give Air Force experience, while Brady Glick, Jeff Weathers, and Kevin Martin are set to fill in the gaps. Up front, Chad Hennings (6-5, 250) is a budding star at tackle and Steve Spewock (6-3, 240) returns at nose guard, while Pat Stoll and Mike Walker battle for the vacant position. The Flyboys led the WAC with a plus-16 turnover count a year ago. That led to a lot of opportunities.

If the Falcons get in trouble, Mark Simon usually gets them out. He led the nation with a 47.3-yard punting average a year ago, but a replacement must be found for Tom Ruby, who nailed 52 straight PATs.

HAWAII

Don't let the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce hear about this. Suddenly Hawaii has become no more of a tourist attraction than Fort Collins or El Paso or, ugh, Laramie. For the first time in history, the local college has to play four-count 'em, four—road games in the WAC. Doesn't anybody want to waste away on Waikiki anymore?

On the other hand, what's a home field advantage? The Rainbows were 1-6-1 at Aloha Stadium last year as Dick Tomey's string of winning seasons ended at seven with a 4-6-2 mark. This is a team that must figure out a way to win the close ones, but they'll have to figure it out without leading rusher Nu'u Faola (1,064 yards) and first-round NFL draft choice Walter Murray (66 catches). Another setback was rotator cuff surgery to quarterback Gregg Tipton (2,130 yards, 54.3 percent completions), but he has help from Warren Jones and Kurt Simon, who both saw action last year. Other discouraging words from the Red Cross: three tailbacks sat out during the spring due to knee operations, including Coyle Permetter (455 yards), who had three 100-yard games in Faola's absence last year. Heikoti Fakava returns at fullback.

The picture is better elsewhere. David Dyas (35-557) is one of the league's better wide receivers and Ron Hall (6-4, 225) is a solid tight end. Running backs Marco Johnson and Marcel Williams have been shifted to receiver. Injuries last fall left a lot of experienced line-

men, including starters Charlie Moetului, Joe Onosai (263), Amosa Amosa (262), and gigantic Mark Nua (6-7, 322). Willy Kalakau (6-3, 285), who started for two seasons before dropping out last fall, is back for his senior year.

On defense, eight starters return, including more Nogas: tackle Al (236), an all-WAC selection, and linebacker Pete. Al anchors a veteran three-man front that includes Matt Follner (252) and Colin Scotts (6-6, 264), while Pete joins standout Thad Jefferson, M.L. Johnson (6-3, 264), John Livingston, and Everett Wade to form a solid linebacking corps. Secondary star Kent Kafentzis has been lost, but brother Kyle returns, though he's been shifted to safety to accommodate 1984 starter Brian Norwood. Sam Moku will man one cornerback spot and Donnell Hatcher will probably be the strong safety.

Tracy Rutkowski, the leading kick scorer in California jucos last year, is a welcome addition, and JC punter Gordon Moss joins the team in the fall.

COLORADO STATE

Last year was Leon Fuller's first peek at the WAC's first division. He may get a better look this year. No other team returns more regulars than the Rams (18), who had five of their seven losses last season come against bowl-bound teams.

Don't confuse the Rams with one of those yet, unless they get awfully hot, and a nasty schedule (four of their first five games on the road against bowl teams) makes that doubtful. But Fuller does have the tools, starting with three-time league rushing leader Steve Bartalo (1,368 yards in '85) and a fine quarterback in Kelly Stouffer (2,387 yards, 58.9 percent completions). Bartalo also had 40 catches, which made him CSU's top receiver, but Fuller hints he may go to a two-back set to take some pressure off his star. Greg Battle (225 yards) is the top candidate.

Stouffer spreads the wealth. Eight players caught 15 or more passes a year ago, and the most dangerous is flanker Sanjay Beach (37-381). Todd Tyrrell (31-536) and J.D. Brookhart (33-609) are veteran starters, as are tight

ends David Harris and Tony Bevacqua. For all that experience, the most solid spot on the team may be the offensive line, which returns a pair of all-WAC performers in Guy Goar (6-3, 245) and massive Edgar Mitchell (6-2, 296). Doug Fiala (6-7, 245) and John Benton (6-4, 247) are also returning starters. When the Rams get close—or even when they don't—Steve DeLine is a threat. He booted a 60-yard field goal last season.

The CSU defense wasn't great a year ago, but when it was, the offense sputtered. The return of Dale Carr, who was considered one of the WAC's best before suffering a season-ending knee injury in the opener, will help stabilize a linebacking corps that has veterans in Dave Mundt, Marvin Gross, and Andre Frazier. The three-man front of three-year starter Dave Schmidt (252), Darrell Funk (6-5, 235), and Jim Lawrence should be decent, as should the secondary if Gary Wehlage and Gregg Johnson can step in at safety. Ron Tesone, Ron Cortell, and Hardy Griffin are dependable corners.

SAN DIEGO STATE

The Aztecs managed to celebrate a 3-1 start and an upset victory over Stanford with five straight losses a year ago, costing coach Doug Scovil his job. The new guy is Denny Stolz, who has been around the block: Alma, Michigan State, Bowling Green.

Scovil was, by reputation, a quarterback guru, but Stolz shouldn't have to be with Todd Santos around. Now a junior, Santos has nearly 5,000 passing yards behind him and hit 63 percent of his attempts a year ago while continuing to keep one-time prep phenom Jim Plum on the bench. Another big weapon, running back Chris Hardy (1,150 yards, 7.3 per carry), also returns, but otherwise Stolz must start from scratch. He'll build the line around all-WAC guard Doug Aronson (6-3, 270), whose brother Art arrives from the JC ranks to join Mike Arie (6-5, 260), John Minor (265), and Mark Tegio (6-3, 265) as likely starters. Finding replacements for WAC reception leader Webster Slaughter and Vince Warren is another task, with Kenny Moore (31-463) the leading candidate. Robert Awalt is the incumbent tight end, and Corey Gilmore (268 yards) the fullback.

Stolz's first change was to install a 4-3 defensive scheme. That's good news for a veteran line that will welcome back Levi Esene (260), an all-WAC-caliber tackle who missed '85 with a dislocated elbow. Greg Williamson (6-5, 260), Mike Hooper (265), and Tai Tama-

masui (250) are veteran starters and Duane Pettitt (6-4, 250) is another regular back from injury. Help is needed at linebacker, where Richard Brown and Brett Faryniarz are the only real veterans, but seven of the top eight deep backs return, led by hard-hitting Steve Lauter. JC products Danny Allen and Shawn Leckington will help at linebacker.

Something Stolz can't coach is turnovers (SDSU was minus-19 in that department). He'll have to find a kicker to coach, since Chris O'Brien has graduated, but Wayne Ross (42.1) is a steady punter.

WYOMING

Dennis Erickson did this once before. Five years ago he retooled Idaho from a pass-at-your-own-risk ground attack to pass-and-the-risks-be-damned aerial show and turned the Vandals into a perennial Big Sky power. Fresh from a league title, Erickson succeeds Al Kincaid at Wyoming and has junked the wish-bone for your basic air express.

That may not leave room for holdover quarterbacks Scott Runyan and Randy Welniak, especially with the arrival of JC thrower Craig Burnett. And there's usually just room enough for one setback in Erickson's offense, so sophomore Toriano Taylor (692 yards) seems to be the obvious choice. Receivers? Lots of room, especially since the best from '85, Allyn Griffin, is gone. Eric Coleman is the top hold-over; JC signees Freddie Dussett, Scott Joseph, Anthony Sargent, and James Loving will catch a few. Bill Hoffman (6-4, 235) and Mike Ray (6-5, 220) are tight-end candidates. Though it must switch emphasis to pass blocking, the line returns virtually intact: Mike Reidy (6-4, 264), Brian Cetak (261), Shawn Wehrer, and the anchor, Pete Baldacci (282).

Erickson's new offense should put a few people in the seats (Wyoming averaged a puny 14,000 fans a year ago), but he needs defense to win games. He can start in the middle with returning tackles Craig Earl (6-3, 245) and Jeff Knapton, but the Cowboys need replacements at nose guard and end. Mike Garvey, an offensive starter, moves to the D-line, as does Erick Glover. Doug Medford and Vaughn Henderson step in at end. Scott Hanser and Galand Thaxton are talented linebackers with starting experience, and Steve McMillon, Vince Hall, and Rich Miller are returning regulars in the secondary. Among the JC newcomers are cornerbacks Reggie Berry and Demetres Stephens.

One good athlete who will find more work elsewhere is punter Tom Kilpatrick (40.8), who

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NEW MEXICO

The most telling quote of the spring comes from Lobos' coach Joe Lee Dunn, who didn't spend a lot of time watching high school film before the letter-of-intent date. New Mexico imported 18 juco players and two refugees from Texas-Arlington, which dumped football, and then explained away the paucity of prep recruits: "It's a win-or-else situation here."

No kidding. The Lobos have slipped from 10-1 in 1982 to 6-6, 4-8, and 3-8 under Dunn and from one of the nation's more inventive defensive teams to one that is mostly big yield, no hit. New defensive coordinator Jim Berryman might help, just as the addition of Ben Griffith breathed life into the offense. Last year, the Lobos ranked third nationally by averaging 469.5 yards per game.



BILLY RUCKER
New Mexico



FRED MADY

The run-and-shoot will be triggered by quarterback Billy Rucker, who shared time with Ned James early but established himself later in the season and set a school total-offense record with 2,857 yards, including 382 rushing. He's one of nine returning offensive starters which also includes both split ends, Chris Buford (22-442) and Tori Brown (21-487), and the two leading receivers, running backs Kevin Burgess (37-263) and Terence Mathis (49-852). The problem is, with fullback Willie Tural gone, none of the returnees had more than 32 carries. Steve Parr (261), Scott Maney, Brian McCabe (243), and David Lollie (6-4, 260) all started up front a year ago.

All but four of Dunn's transfers are defensive players, which means if the seven hold-over starters can't get it done someone else will get a chance. The veteran line of Bob Umdenstock, Fred Mady (246), Tom Bradford (6-3, 250), and Tom Cole will be pushed by Arlington's Danny Douglas (6-5, 260) and juco recruits Bobby Edwards (250), Torry Edwards, Musa Kanneke (6-4, 245), and Jeff

Leon (250). Linebacker Donnie Gassoway (6-2, 229) is a jewel, but he needs help from newcomers Clay Orrison and Reginald Oaks. Jucos Morrice Givehand, Darrell Harts, Danny Lara, and Doug Shaw join holdover corners Troy Clewis and Anthony Stevenson in the secondary. The Lobos will continue to rely on punter Ron Keller (42-2) to get them out of field-position trouble.

TEXAS-EL PASO

Was it the biggest upset in college football history? Probably. Was it also the only game the Miners won all year? Definitely. And not even the "disorder on the border," UTEP's grand 23-16 win over BYU, could save Bill Yung's head.

Bob Stull comes prepared—he already has a losing record as a head coach (10-12 in two years at Massachusetts). But he reversed a 3-8 team to 7-4 last year and he'd been riding shotgun on Don James's staffs at Kent State and Washington, where impressive turn-arounds were made. UTEP would be the most impressive yet—the Miners haven't had a winner since 1970.

Stull has a nucleus. Quarterback Sammy Garza threw for 1,654 yards last year and John Harvey had 777 yards rushing in an injury-filled freshman season. Vince Jordan had a 182-yard game in Harvey's absence and Nicky Combs (355 yards) is also available. Garza needs some targets other than tight end Bob Keseday (20-253), but the line can build around the solid trio of Joe MacEsker (6-7, 280), Floyd Fain (260), and James Spady. Hugo Castellanos (11-15 FG) is reliable but underworked on extra points.

The defense? How about a little help? The Miners were vulnerable to big plays and big drives alike, ranking last in the WAC in average yield. A bunch of regulars are back—tackles Joe Terry and Blair Fowler (6-4, 240), linebackers Albert and Alfred Williams (225), and backs Robert Murray, Pat Baker, and Ricky Evans—but Stull needs someone to get tough against the run.

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NEVADA-RENO

Last year, they left their freshman phenom at home and lost to Idaho. In 1984, they dropped a four-overtime game at Montana State. As talented—indeed, as loaded—as the Wolf Pack appears to be each year, the fact remains that they've won the Big Sky only once. It just goes to show you, it's always something.

The Sky had better come up with something in 1986, because Reno is loaded again. Sure, no fewer than six all-league first-teamers used up their eligibility. But the Wolf Pack still has: the national runner-up in passing efficiency, quarterback Eric Beavers (2,617 yards passing, 62.4 percent completions, 27 touchdowns); the league's leading rusher, sophomore Charvez Foger (1,241 yards, 6.9 per carry); the league's best wide receiver, 1984 all-leaguer Brian Calder; the top returning offensive lineman, tackle Bob Brown, and tight end, Scott Threde; and the best kicker in Division I-AA football, Marty Zendejas (19-24 FG).

And that's the offense—fourth-best in the nation last year but only No. 3 in the Sky, where games inevitably end on the other side of midnight. Coach Chris Ault must plug in some new blockers, but Donald Rose (6-4, 240) and Tom Klisiewicz (6-5, 250) are hold-

overs and Paul Erickson, Todd Greene, Jerry Smith, and Kevin Terrance have been procured from the JC ranks. Besides Foger, who missed the Idaho game with a foot injury, Beavers can hand the ball to Lucius Floyd (465 yards) or Jason Seybold (488).

It might be harder to reload on defense, seeing as five all-Sky performers were lost. Two are back, linebacker Henry Rolling and cornerback Joe Peterson, but the Pack will be hard pressed to equal last year's stingy rushing yield of 77.8 yards a game. Nose guard Bill Bonsall (230) is the only returning starter in the line, but letterman Scott Martin (6-4, 240) is a promising junior and transfers Matt Fitzpatrick, Richard Johnson, and Dean Hodges should help. Scott Lommori was the only Reno linebacker who wasn't all-league, but he's not bad, and Peterson has a pair of experienced helpers in the secondary in Mike Brown and Brian Kaskie.

Some interesting numbers: Reno won eight straight after the Idaho loss before failing to Furman in the I-AA semis. Being plus-17 in turnovers and letting opponents score on just 16 percent of their possessions didn't hurt.

BOISE STATE

There's nothing like setting yourself up for the second-guess. Lyle Setencich did just that this past spring when the Broncos' coach shifted Hazzen Choates, the starting quarterback for the larger part of three seasons, to cornerback. But Setencich's aim over the winter was to find someone better, and three weeks of spring drills convinced him that JC transfer Vince Alcade was just that. Choates (1,612 yards passing, 54 percent completions last year) had dodged bullets before since wrestling the job from Gerald Des Pres as a freshman.

Alcade won't be the only new face at the skill positions. Running back Jon Francis (1,147 yards) and leading receiver Tony Hunter (31-526) have departed, leaving fullback Dale Goodwin as the top returning back and tight end Jon Cox (6-3, 225) as the only re-



JOHN HARVEY
Texas El Paso

ceiver with substantial experience, though redshirt Eric Andrade caught 25 balls in '84. Other JC recruits of note are running backs Cleo Bennett and Chris Jackson and wide receiver Alvin Pierce. Back Chris Jackson arrives from the defunct program at Texas-Arlington. The names are a bit more familiar on the line, where starters Barry Black (260), Tom DeWitz, and Kim Hilliard (6-5, 240) return. But the Broncos need a back to take charge.

The Boise defense was second in the Big Sky and Choates's athletic ability will certainly help in the secondary, where Phil Bartle, Mau-

ry Moore, and Robert Bloie all have starting experience. But the best news there is the return of Chuck Compton, an all-leaguer in 1984 who missed last season with a broken ankle. Likewise, the Broncos are tough at line-backer with Jim Ellis (6-3, 235) leading a crew that includes Mike Dolby, Rodney Starr, and Rex Walters. First-round NFL draftee Markus Koch will be impossible to replace at end, and Setenich must find some help for the lone returning line starter, Peter Kwiatkowski (245). The kicking game isn't the best, either, though Roberto Moran (16-29 FG) has a mighty leg.

The Broncos lost two narrow decisions to I-AA opponents last year despite outgaining both, and open this year at I-AA playoff participant Eastern Washington. But Boise has the most favorable conference schedule: four of seven games at home, including potential showdowns with Reno and Idaho.

IDAHO

It's like having Bret Saberhagen back without Dan Quisenberry in the bullpen. You like your starter, but would feel safer with some relief.

The Vandals no longer have the security blanket that Rick Sloan provided the past two years, so quarterback Scott Linehan will have to stay healthy for the whole season if new coach Keith Gilbertson is to have any chance of defending the Big Sky title Dennis Erickson won before departing for Wyoming. Sloan took over when Linehan went down last year in the Reno game. When he graduated he took all-league targets Eric Yarber and Scott Auker with him, so Linehan (58 percent completions,

1,617 yards) will make do with Brant Bengen (41-684) and Nelson Washington plus exciting newcomer Neosia Morris.

Gilbertson has more backs than a passing attack knows what to do with in Todd Hoiness (706 yards), Greg Dial (327), and Fred Lloyd (245), but the Vandals are woefully inexperienced up front. Scott Katz (280) is the lone starter back on a line that's been bolstered by the addition of JC imports Jeff Brateng (6-5, 265), Craig Dowdy (260), Martin Kurtzahn (6-6, 250), and Troy Stewart (255).

Having averaged just a shade under 500 yards a game a year ago, Idaho didn't exactly have to rely on defense. Still, the Vandals were pretty fair against the run (20th nationwide). But just as on offense, the line needs repair. Nolan Harper is the lone veteran of the group. Quite the opposite is true at linebacker, where Big Sky defensive MVP Tom Hennessey returns to head a unit that includes Dave Parker, Shawn Nilsson, and Mike Cox. Likewise, the secondary has a pearl in unanimous all-leaguer Mark Tidd and dependable cover men in Ike Young, Dan McCanna, and Paul Ramsey. Darin Magnuson (39.6) is an improving punter, and Bolivian-born Brian Decicio was a big hit as a freshman, drilling 13 straight field goals in one stretch.

IDAHO STATE

Staggering finishes have kept the Bengals from being winners two years straight now, and the stretch run isn't going to be easy in 1986: road games at Montana, Weber State, and Northern Arizona sandwiched around a

date at home with Reno. When that's finished, the Bengals play Montana again, a rivalry so nice they've decided to play twice.

The self-proclaimed Throwin' Idahoans (actually the Bengals are only No. 2 in their own state when it comes to passing) will leave the throwing this year to Gino Mariani, who completed 54 percent of his attempts in relief of the prolific Vern Harris last year. Mariani is the punter (40.1), too, but the Bengals would prefer to utilize his arm. The hands will be supplied by the Big Sky's best all-purpose back, Merrill Hoge (67 receptions, 1,041 yards rushing). He teams in the backfield with Corky Federico and shares the receiving with wideouts Shawn Beals, a second-team all-leaguer who had 222 yards in receptions in a single game, and Nick Olsen. Tight end Jody Griswold must be replaced, but there are veterans on the line in Bret Hansen (6-3, 255), Bill Lasley (6-4, 295), and Jerry Tache (235). The kicker is Rene Wietmann (13-19 FG).

At the heart of that late fade was defense (the Bengals gave up an average of 40 points a game in losing their last four), and there are significant holes in the line and secondary, though Jamie FitzGerald (4 interceptions, 9.3 yards on punt returns) is as good as the region has to offer at safety. Chris Matthews and Chuck Hendrix must move up in the secondary, and Jerry Oates is the lone holdover with any experience in the line other than returning starter John Arbuckle (261). There are several veteran linebackers, however, including Mike Calley, Mike Moye, Terence McDermott, and Ron Manu.

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NORTHERN ARIZONA

The Lumberjacks weren't the worst team in the Big Sky a year ago, but they were the wimpiest on offense. That's right, wimpy. In a league where a field goal won't even let you save face, the Axers scored just 18 touchdowns and went through a stretch of three games without sniffing the end zone. As the Charles Atlas ads used to say, "Is this the insult that makes a man out of Mac?"

There was a reason for that impotence. Injuries cleaned out the front and coach Larry Kentera once had three 17-year-olds on the line of scrimmage. Those teen-agers can be backups once again because veteran starters Pat Meech (6-3, 270), Dan Moran (6-4, 265), Roy Stewart, Keith Eachus (250), and Jim Bear (6-5, 255) return. Just in case, Kentera imported six JC linemen, including 6-4, 298-pound giant Anthony Gilliam. That should boost NAU's rushing average over the 100-yard mark, if backs Rick Vail (313 yards) and Donni Robinson (304 yards) respond. And it would take pressure off quarterback Craig Austin, who threw for 1,752 yards but had twice as many interceptions (17) as TDs (8). He'll be throwing to Terry Mahan, who missed nine games with a broken arm after catching 31 balls in '84, and Sany Sledge (20-336).

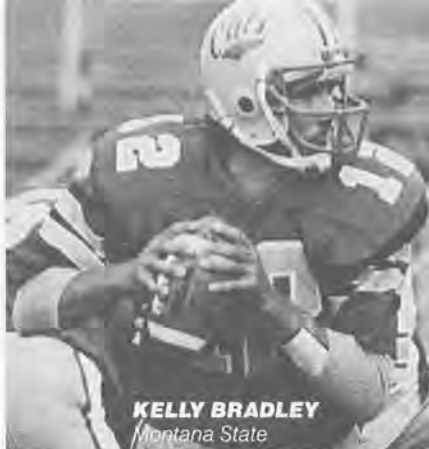
Kentera would rather talk up his defense—the best against the pass in a pass-happy league. The secondary intercepted 24 passes, nine of those by all-league cornerback George Duarte, who tied for the national lead. Tony Cullen is NAU's tackle record holder for defensive backs, and DeJuan Robinson and Scooter Justiani are all-name starters. The line is just as experienced, with 6-8 Tom Gibson (265), Greg Roskopf (6-4, 260), and David Smith (6-7, 240) back. And while Gary Galante (238) is the only starting linebacker returning, the Axers are deep in the middle with Terry Martin and JC All-America Mark Yuhus (230). The kickers are John Earl (42.8 punting) and Goran Lingmerth (13-18 FG), whose misses averaged more than 50 yards.

MONTANA STATE

O.K., so what goes around comes around. But this far around? The Big Sky is noted for its flip-flops, but no team has done it quite like the Bobcats, who went from 1-10 to the Division I-AA national championship in 1984, then back to a sorry 2-9 last year.

And sorry it was. The Bobcats were touched for 50 or more points five times, due as much to untimely turnovers as to big plays. It didn't help when all-league quarterback Kelly Bradley went down in mid-season with an elbow injury, though the Cats were already 1-4 by that point. With 54 career TD passes to his credit, Bradley is healthy for his senior year. One key target returns in tight end Duane Baker (38-412). Kelly Davis has caught 43 passes the past two years and heads the wideouts, while Cory Lamey (226 yards), Toby Petty, Eric Miller, and JC transfer Kirk Copeland scramble for the running-back spots. Up front, Don Leake (6-4, 250), Todd Vasey (6-6, 245), and Pat Williams (6-5, 260) have starting experience, but depth is a question.

Coach Dave Arnold has done some shuffling on defense, but it's difficult to think the Cats can return to the level they achieved in '84. Inside linebacker Kirk Timmer (6-3, 235) was a key element in that unit and he's back after missing the last two games of '85. Ken Lang gives MSU one of the league's best in-



KELLY BRADLEY
Montana State

side duos, but the Cats are inexperienced outside. Tom Jacobs (6-4, 235), Mike Vasquez (230), and Kevin Wolf (240) are veteran linemen, and Derrick Abell, Tyler Winter, and Bob Kimball anchor the secondary.

MONTANA

After nearly two decades, the Grizzlies hope to abandon their "temporary" stadium, Dornblaser Field, for a new home due to open this fall. But lest the new facility remain as empty as the old one (less than 5,600 fans per game last year), Montana chose to sack Larry Donovan, much of whose sweat went into that stadium drive. After winning the Big Sky in 1982, Donovan's Grizzly tenure turned decidedly grim (just two league wins the past two years).

Remarkably, as bad as the Grizzly defense was in 1984, it was worse in '85 (530 yards a game given up, 38.8 points). UM was similarly frantic on offense: tinkering with the wishbone, trying four different quarterbacks. New coach Don Read arrives from Portland State and will align himself with the Big Sky norm—passing and more passing—and Shannon Mornhinweg, brother of UM great Marty, is the ideal quarterback, if he can stay out of trouble. The two top targets return in tight end Paul Lamb (38-614) and the ever-versatile Mike Rice, who flags down passes, returns punts and kicks, and led the nation's I-AA punters with a 44.1-yard average. The promising Renard Coleman and Kraig Paulson are the top returning backs, and Read can build the line around big Larry Clarkson (6-7, 300) and Jason Ray (245).

Since opponents averaged 5.4 yards every time they ran the ball, the defense must improve up front, where tackle Shawn Poole (6-4, 268) is an aggressive, if lonely, standout. Pat Foster (6-5, 245) also returns, along with JC recruit Mike Struitzel. J.C. Campbell, Pat Hardiman, and Mike Rankin have all seen action at linebacker, and Tony Breland and Nate Odden are the holdover corners. Some 14 juco players will provide some immediate help and the new stadium, if completed, will bring some fans back out of curiosity. Read must keep them there.

WEBER STATE

The Wildcats were Division I-AA's top offensive team last year, but don't waste a lot of time on comparisons. Virtually all of the principals from that unit are gone, including the ringleader, quarterback Dave Stireman, who ran and passed for 3,759 yards, accounted for 33 touchdowns, and beat out a passel of fine quarterbacks for all-league honors.

In Stireman's place, coach Mike Price can pick from backups Phil Cooper and Brian Larsen, or count on the come-and-go with 6-4 left-hander Jeff Carlson. The only starters re-

turning are running back Eric Brown and split end Pete Sefakis, so Price is starting pretty much from scratch. Among the 19 JC players he recruited, tight end Mike Barland and linemen George Fuller, Ray Goerke, Doug Kallas, and Bob Morton have a chance to play a lot. Lettermen Kelly Widmeyer (6-9, 290) and Angus MacInnes are also in the hunt. The open skill spots will likely fall to lettermen Willie McDonald, Gerald Pitts, and Sean Sanders at running back and Rod Shelby at receiver.

The Wildcat defense didn't scare anyone last year—only NAU among league teams failed to score at least three touchdowns against Weber—and only four starters return, three of them linebackers. Mike Lee (230), Joe Long, and Mark Russell (6-4, 235) make that a Weber strength, but the only other regular back is free safety Wade Jacklin. So again, Price went to the JC well and came up with linemen Brian Ealy, Mac Faoliu, Tom Flesher, and Mike Neal, and backs Joe Hargrove, Darrell Harts, and Brent Tunnell. Russell Griffith (43.2) is a sound punter, but place-kicker Craig Winberg must be replaced.

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EASTERN WASHINGTON

The Big Sky turned down EWU's application for membership last summer, so the Eagles exacted their revenge—though coach Dick Zornes was quick to disclaim that kind of motivation. His players weren't so coy and promptly went 5-2 against conference teams during the regular season, then unceremoniously dumped Idaho, 42-38, in the Vandals' dome in the first round of the I-AA playoffs.

It wasn't a one-shot deal. Eastern is now 16-5-1 in two seasons as a I-AA independent, and with 17 starters returning, the Eagles aren't likely to tail off much. With eight Sky teams on the schedule—four at home for the first time ever—the Eagles do it up pretty much like their affiliated cousins, ranking sixth nationally in total offense and hoping to come up with enough big plays (they were plus-15 in turnovers) on "D." Zornes must come up with a big play of his own to replace the graduated quarterback Rick Worman (2,882 yards passing, 27 touchdowns). Rob James has been an understudy for three years and must beat out junior John Snider for the job.

Other than quarterback and two line spots, the offense is intact. James has great targets in tight end Eric Riley (39-543) and split outs Jon Vea (58-763), Craig Richardson (40-540), and Kevin Larew (30-429), while workhorse Jamie Townsend (1,007 yards rushing, 42-495 receiving) keeps defenses honest. Tim Floyd is the likely candidate to replace fullback Joe Kniffen. The linemen back are Jeff Mickel (6-6, 269), Ed Simmons (6-4, 266), and Andy Allan. Tim Murphy (272), Zach Morgan, and David Hanna (243) are backups.

The opportunistic defense, which intercepted 27 passes, is led by linebacker Bill Altena, tackle Mike Kingston (6-4, 255), and backs Garrick Redden (5 interceptions) and Mark Cordes (4). Ends Jim Ferster and Dan Moriarty, linebacker John Eddy, and cornerman Bentley Williams also started last year, but some are in danger of losing their jobs to fast-improving players like safety Russ Elliott, linebacker Brad Faker, and end Joe Kane. Eric Stein (7-18 FG, 38.9 punting) needs further improvement as a kicker.

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Paul Palmer, Temple	JR	9	1516	131	0	96	1743	193.7
George Swann, Miami (Ohio)	JR	11	1511	424	0	17	1936	176.0
Lorenzo White, Michigan St.	SO	11	1908	28	0	0	1859	169.0
Bo Jackson, Auburn	SR	11	1786	73	0	0	147	185.5
Ronnie Harmon, Iowa	SR	11	1111	597	0	147	1855	161.9
Thurman Thomas, Oklahoma St.	SO	11	1553	98	115	15	1781	157.8
Ernest Givins, Louisville	SR	11	1006	245	0	286	1537	153.7
Tony Cherry, Oregon	SR	12	58	1071	264	413	1806	148.8
Webster Slaughter, S. Diego St.	JR	10	1161	65	0	262	1488	144.5
Doug DuBoise, Nebraska	SO	11	1120	324	0	0	1692	141.0
Darrell Wallace, Missouri	JR	12	1368	16	0	531	1541	140.1
Steve Bartalo, Colorado St.	SO	11	459	551	0	76	1376	137.6
Joe Rowley, New Mexico St.	SR	10	1224	76	0	0	1488	135.3
Barry Word, Virginia	SR	11	1236	252	0	191	1471	133.7
Rueben Mayes, Washington St.	JR	11	1112	168	0	422	1470	133.6
Reggie Taylor, Cincinnati	FR	11	150	852	46	0	1458	132.5
Terrence Mathis, New Mexico	SR	11	1278	180	0	0	1447	131.5
Reggie Dupard, SMU	SR	11	1134	313	0	0	1175	130.6
Dalton Hilliard, LSU	JR	12	26	958	509	83	1578	131.5
Kelvin Martin, Boston College	JR	9	521	654	0	98	1535	127.9
Brad Muster, Stanford	JR	12	1150	287	0	0	0	0
Chris Hardy, San Diego St.								

TOTAL OFFENSE

	cl	g	rush	passing	total offense
Jim Everett, Purdue	SR	11	212	274	486
Robbie Bosco, Brigham Young	SR	11	177	309	486
Doug Gaylor, Long Beach St.	SR	11	137	482	619
Vinny Testaverde, Miami	SR	11	68	504	572
Mike Norseth, Kansas	SR	11	135	504	639
Jack Trudeau, Illinois	SR	11	69	149	218
Larry Egger, Utah	SR	11	58	177	235
Chuck Long, Iowa	SR	11	40	62	102
Don Smith, Miss. State	SR	11	190	862	1052
Billy Rucker, New Mexico	SR	11	164	619	783
Kevin Sweeney, Fresno St.	SR	11	78	237	315
Shawn Halloran, Boston College	SR	11	65	161	226
Brian McClure, Bowling Green	SR	11	42	206	248
John Payne, Stanford	SR	11	47	124	171
Todd Santos, San Diego St.	SR	11	54	79	133
Kerwin Bell, Florida	SR	11	126	560	686
Jim Miller, New Mexico St.	SR	11	76	335	411
Mark Rypien, Washington St.	SR	11	38	78	116
Stan Gelbaugh, Maryland	SR	11	45	207	252
Chris Miller, Oregon	SR	11	39	45	84
Ken Karcher, Tulane	SR	11	180	1173	1353
Bar Weiss, Air Force	SR	11	90	134	224
Erik Kramer, N.C. State	SR	11	371	1032	1403

PASSING EFFICIENCY

	cl	g	att	cmp	pct	int	yds	avg	td	pct rating
(Min. 15 att. per game)										
Jim Harbaugh, Michigan	SO	11	288	180	62.5	6	283	191.3	9.02	163.7
Kerwin Bell, Florida	SR	11	351	231	65.8	15	427	297.8	8.48	153.0
Chuck Long, Iowa	JR	11	254	158	62.2	8	349	200.9	8.77	150.0
Jim Karsatos, Ohio State	JR	11	229	138	60.2	8	349	200.9	8.77	149.8
Mike Shula, Alabama	JR	11	352	216	61.3	15	426	297.8	8.48	146.4
Vinny Testaverde, Miami	SR	11	511	338	66.1	24	470	427.3	8.36	145.1
Robbie Bosco, Brigham Young	SR	11	295	177	60.0	7	237	260.4	8.83	143.5
Kevin Sweeney, Fresno St.	SR	11	450	285	63.3	11	244	365.1	8.11	143.1
Jim Everett, Purdue	SR	11	452	321	71.0	18	398	356.3	7.88	141.0
Doug Gaylor, Long Beach St.	SR	11	214	136	63.5	10	467	181.9	8.50	140.9
David Norrie, UCLA	SO	12	357	226	63.3	17	476	287.7	8.06	137.8
Todd Santos, San Diego St.	JR	9	201	115	57.2	5	249	157.6	7.84	133.6
Danny McColin, Cincinnati	SR	11	193	110	56.9	8	415	155.7	8.07	133.5
John Dewberry, Georgia Tech	SO	11	251	147	58.5	10	398	196.5	7.83	133.3
Kevin Murray, Texas A&M	SO	11	273	159	58.2	12	440	217.4	7.96	128.8
Mark Rypien, Washington St.	SR	11	371	226	60.9	16	431	267.4	7.21	127.9
Brian McClure, Bowling Green	SR	11	268	134	50.0	16	597	247.5	9.24	127.4
Billy Rucker, New Mexico	JR	11	200	120	60.0	12	600	165.4	8.27	127.2
Sammy Garza, UTEP	JR	11	229	107	46.7	8	349	187.5	8.19	127.1
Lee Saltz, Temple	SR	11	311	168	53.8	14	450	247.5	7.96	126.4
Stan Gelbaugh, Maryland	JR	11	339	189	55.7	12	354	251.0	7.40	126.4
Erik Kramer, N.C. State	JR	12	346	204	58.9	11	318	238.7	6.90	124.9
Kelly Stouffer, Colorado St.										

RUSHING

	cl	g	car	yds	avg	td	yds pg
Lorenzo White, Michigan St.	SO	11	386	1908	4.9	17	173.5
Paul Palmer, Temple	JR	9	279	1516	5.4	9	168.4
Bo Jackson, Auburn	SR	11	278	1786	6.4	17	162.4
Thurman Thomas, Oklahoma St.	SO	11	302	1553	5.1	15	141.2
George Swann, Miami (Ohio)	SR	11	309	1511	4.9	12	137.4
Barry Word, Virginia	SR	11	287	1327	4.6	14	120.6
Napoleon McCallum, Navy	SR	11	235	1278	5.4	14	116.2
Reggie Dupard, SMU	JR	10	203	1161	5.7	8	116.1
Doug DuBoise, Nebraska	JR	12	338	1368	4.0	12	114.0
Steve Bartalo, Colorado St.	SO	11	228	1236	5.4	10	112.4
Rueben Mayes, Washington St.	SR	11	169	1201	7.1	4	109.2
Gordon Brown, Tulsa	SO	10	194	1085	5.6	6	108.5
Charles Gladman, Pittsburgh	SR	10	203	1064	5.2	4	106.4
Nuu Faola, Hawaii	SR	11	258	1134	4.4	14	103.1
Dalton Hilliard, LSU	JR	12	226	1120	5.0	5	101.2
Darrell Wallace, Missouri	JR	11	224	1113	5.0	3	101.1
Larry Emery, Wisconsin	JR	11	209	1111	5.3	9	101.0
Reggie Taylor, Cincinnati	FR	11	201	1106	4.8	9	100.6
Ronnie Harmon, Iowa	SR	10	211	1100	4.3	11	100.0
Tony Cherry, Oregon	SR	11	255	1100	4.3	11	100.0
Allen Pinkett, Notre Dame	JR	12	158	1150	7.3	7	95.8
Chris Hardy, San Diego St.	FR	9	161	861	5.3	9	95.7
Jamelle Holway, Oklahoma							

SCORING

	cl	g	td	xp	fg	pts	ptpg
Bernard White, Bowling Green	SR	11	19	0	0	114	10.4
Bo Jackson, Auburn	SR	11	17	0	0	102	9.3
Carlos Reveiz, Tennessee	SO	11	17	0	0	102	9.3
Lorenzo White, Michigan St.	JR	11	17	0	0	102	9.3
Steve Gage, Tulsa	SO	11	0	46	18	100	9.1
Barry Belli, Fresno St.	SO	11	0	46	17	97	8.8
Rob Houghtlin, Iowa	SO	11	0	42	18	96	8.7
Derek Schmidt, Florida St.	JR	11	16	0	0	96	8.7
George Swann, Miami (Ohio)	SR	11	16	0	0	96	8.7
Thurman Thomas, Oklahoma St.	SR	11	16	0	0	96	8.7
Reggie Dupard, SMU	SR	11	0	33	21	91	8.3
John Lee, UCLA	SR	11	0	28	21	90	8.2
Massimo Manca, Penn State	SR	11	15	0	0	90	8.2
Napoleon McCallum, Navy	SR	11	14	6	0	89	8.1
Willie Turrell, New Mexico	SR	11	0	23	22	88	8.0
Max Zendejas, Arizona	SR	11	0	43	15	88	8.0
Tim Lashar, Oklahoma	SR	11	0	31	16	79	7.9
John Dietrich, Ball State	FR	10	0	40	18	94	7.8
Mike Gillette, Michigan	JR	12	0	33	17	84	7.6
Andre Guardi, Utah	JR	11	14	0	0	84	7.6
Van Tiffin, Alabama	SR	11	0	27	19	84	7.6
Dalton Hilliard, LSU	JR	11	14	0	0	84	7.6
Jeff Ward, Texas	SR	11	14	0	0	84	7.6
Kelly Pittman, Air Force	JR	11	14	0	0	84	7.6
Mark Bellini, Brigham Young							

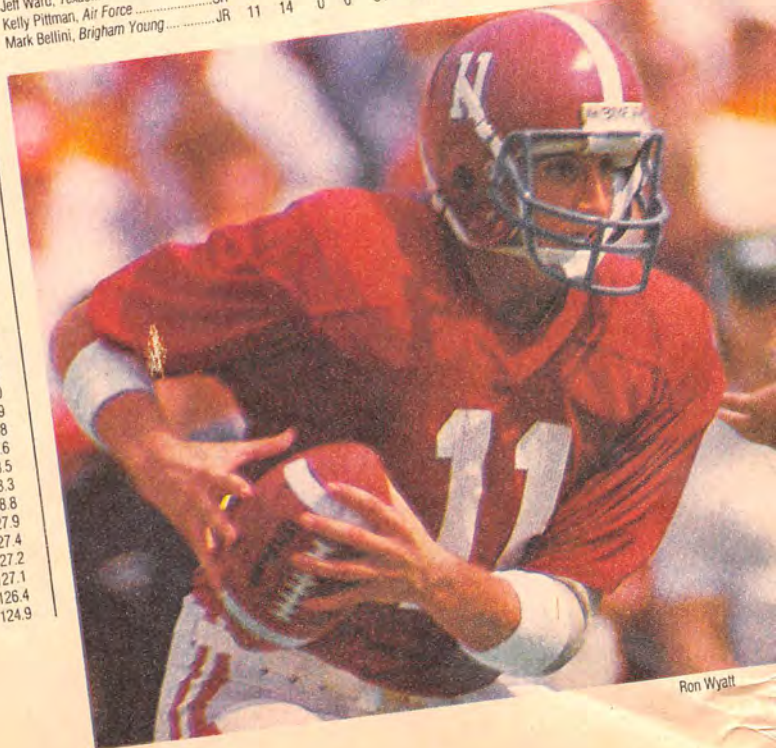
RECEIVING

	cl	g	no	yds	td	no pg
Rodney Carter, Purdue	SR	11	98	1099	4	8.9
Brad Muster, Stanford	JR	9	78	654	4	8.7
David Williams, Illinois	SR	11	85	1047	10	6.8
Webster Slaughter, S. Diego St.	SO	11	73	1137	3	6.6
Marc Zeno, Tulane	SR	10	61	703	7	6.1
Reggie Bynum, Oregon St.	JR	12	73	971	7	6.1
Richard Estell, Kansas	SR	12	70	1109	4	5.8
Charles Lockett, Long Beach St.	JR	12	69	949	10	5.7
Mark Bellini, Brigham Young	JR	11	63	1008	14	5.7
Mark Templeton, Long Beach St.	JR	11	61	690	3	5.5
Greg Baly, Stanford	SR	12	66	973	7	5.5
Walter Murray, Hawaii	SO	11	57	551	1	5.2
Joe Rowley, New Mexico St.	JR	13	66	459	0	5.1
Lakei Heituli, Brigham Young	JR	11	55	929	3	5.0
Ken Allen, Indiana	JR	11	55	761	7	5.0
Stan Hunter, Bowling Green	SR	11	55	347	2	5.0
Thomas Rooks, Illinois	SO	10	50	533	2	5.0
Everett Crawford, Vanderbilt	SO	11	54	450	1	4.9
Michael Ramsey, Wake Forest	SR	11	54	450	1	4.9

PUNTING

	cl	no	avg
(Min. 3.6 per game)			
Mark Simon, Air Force	SO	53	47.3
Barry Helton, Colorado	JR	55	45.9
Steve Kidd, Rice	SR	57	45.8
Lewis Colbert, Auburn	JR	79	45.8
Bill Smith, Mississippi	SR	58	45.2
John Teltschik, Texas	FR	44	45.1
Chris Mohr, Alabama	SR	52	44.8
Buzzy Sawyer, Baylor	SR	55	44.7
Ray Criswell, Florida	SO	69	44.7
Greg Montgomery, Michigan St.	SR	52	43.7
Tom O'Connor, South Carolina	SR	60	43.5
Dodge Carter, SMU	SO	63	43.4
Robert Myers, Houston	JR	66	43.2
Alan Hertline, Vanderbilt	JR	50	43.1
Louis Berry, Florida St.	JR	55	42.9
John Keller, New Mexico	SR	60	42.9
John Bruno, Penn State	JR	65	42.8
Bob Hulberg, Nevada-Las Vegas	JR	54	42.6
Greg Horne, Arkansas	SO	54	42.6
Tom Tupa, Ohio State	SO	42	42.5

Mike Shula



Ron Wyatt

FIELD GOALS

	cl	g	fga	fg	pct	fgpg
Dietrich, Ball State	SR	11	29	25	.862	2.27
Revelz, Tennessee	JR	11	28	24	.857	2.18
Zendejas, Arizona	SR	11	29	22	.759	2.00
Lee, UCLA	JR	11	24	21	.875	1.91
Jaeger, Washington	SR	11	26	21	.808	1.91
Massimo Manca, Penn State	JR	11	24	19	.792	1.73
Ward, Texas	SO	11	28	19	.679	1.73
Worley, Kentucky	SO	11	23	18	.783	1.64
Schmidt, Florida St.	SO	11	26	18	.692	1.64
Gussman, Miami (Ohio)	SO	11	26	18	.692	1.64
Belli, Fresno St.	FR	10	23	16	.696	1.60
Mike Gillette, Michigan	FR	10	23	16	.696	1.60

INTERCEPTIONS

	cl	g	no	yds	td	lpg
Chris White, Tennessee	SR	11	9	168	1	.82
Kevin Walker, East Carolina	SR	11	9	155	1	.73
Mike Romero, Cal St. Fullerton	JR	11	8	84	1	.67
Tom Rotello, Air Force	SO	11	7	186	0	.64
Teryl Austin, Pittsburgh	JR	11	7	176	1	.64
Mark Moore, Oklahoma St.	SR	11	7	93	0	.64
Jay Norvell, Iowa	SR	11	7	80	0	.64
Doug Pavsek, Army	FR	11	7	53	0	.64
Markus Paul, Syracuse	JR	11	7	39	0	.64
Lavance Northington, Oregon St.	JR	11	7	39	0	.64

PUNT RETURNS

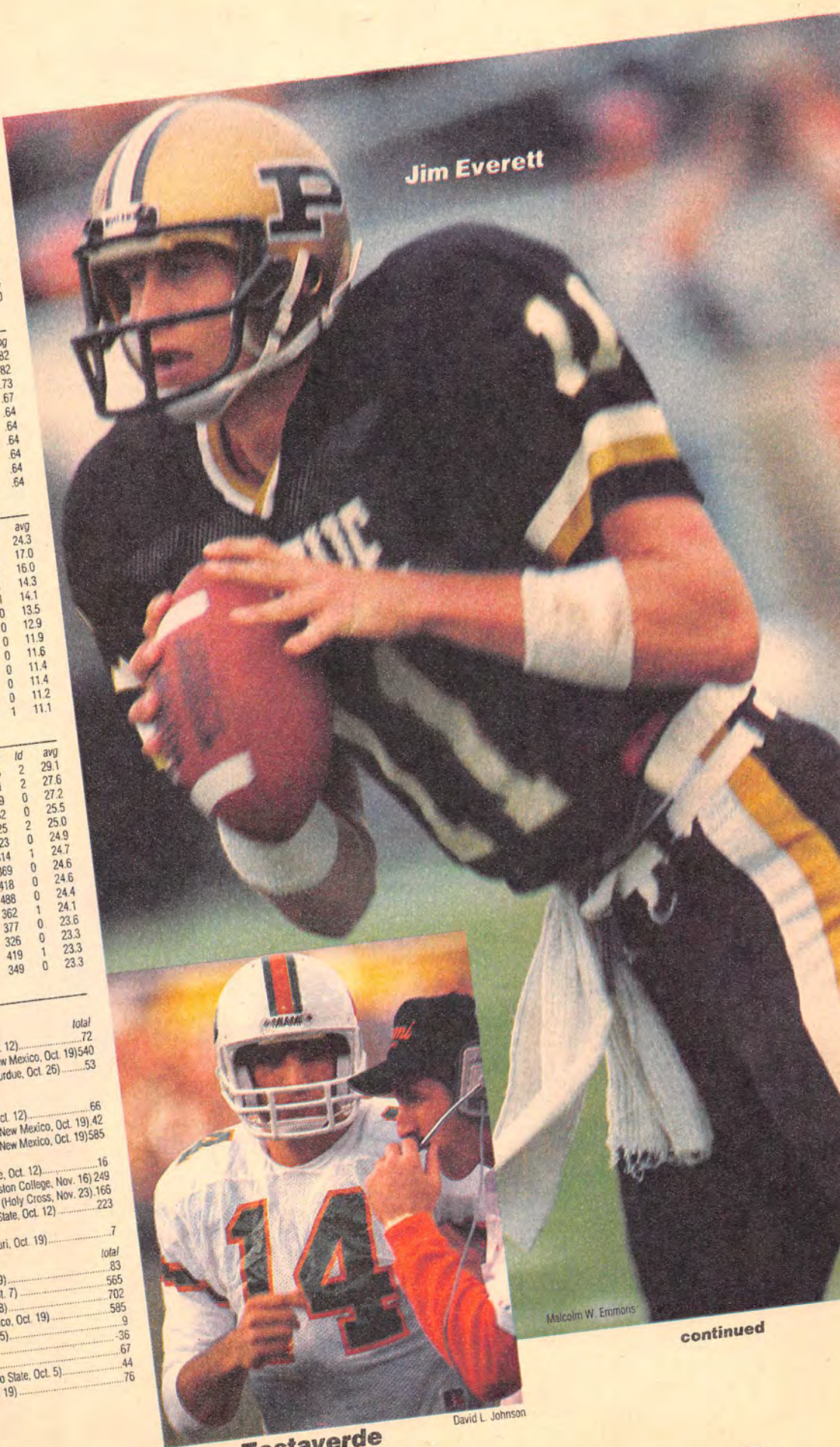
	cl	no	yds	td	avg
(Min. 1.2 per game)	SR	16	389	2	24.3
Erroll Tucker, Utah	JR	30	509	1	17.0
K. Martin, Boston Col.	JR	24	384	2	16.0
S. Schwedes, Syracuse	JR	17	243	1	14.3
Stephen Baker, Fresno St.	SR	12	169	1	14.1
G. Johnson, Michigan	FR	31	419	0	13.5
T. Thurman, Texas Tech.	JR	16	207	0	12.9
R. Schmitzler, Nebraska	FR	11	131	0	11.9
Tony Brooks, TCU	SR	40	466	0	11.6
B.J. Edmonds, Arkansas	JR	14	160	0	11.4
Nate Odomes, Wisconsin	SR	19	216	0	11.4
Darold Londo, Army	SR	22	246	0	11.2
M. Wentzel, Kansas St.	SR	20	223	1	11.1
Brian Williams, Kentucky	SR	20	223	1	11.1

KICKOFF RETURNS

	cl	no	yds	td	avg
(Min. 1.2 per game)	SR	24	698	2	29.1
Erroll Tucker, Utah	SR	29	801	2	27.6
Ernest Givins, Louisville	JR	11	299	0	27.2
C. Duncan, Northwestern	FR	13	332	0	25.5
R. McKinney, E. Carolina	JR	29	725	2	25.0
Luther Johnson, UTEP	SR	17	423	0	24.9
B. Clair, East Carolina	FR	33	814	1	24.7
J. Redding, SW Louisiana	JR	15	369	0	24.6
Jerry Harris, Memphis St.	FR	17	418	0	24.6
Keith Ross, Florida St.	SR	20	488	0	24.4
N. McCallum, Navy	SO	15	362	1	24.1
Tim Brown, Notre Dame	FR	16	377	0	23.6
Kelly Skipper, Fresno St.	SR	14	326	0	23.3
Carl Miller, Arkansas	SR	18	419	1	23.3
S. Gaines, Long Beach St.	SR	15	349	0	23.3
Earl Allen, Houston	SR	15	349	0	23.3

SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

PLAYER	player, team (opponent, date)	total
Rushing and passing	Jack Trudeau, Illinois (Purdue, Oct. 12)	72
Rushing and passing plays	Robbie Bosco, Brigham Young (New Mexico, Oct. 19)	540
Rushing and passing yards	Lorenzo White, Michigan State (Purdue, Oct. 26)	53
Rushing plays	George Swann, Miami, Ohio	
Net rushing yards	(Eastern Michigan, Nov. 16)	326
Passes attempted	Jack Trudeau, Illinois (Purdue, Oct. 12)	66
Passes completed	Robbie Bosco, Brigham Young (New Mexico, Oct. 19)	42
Passing yards	Robbie Bosco, Brigham Young (New Mexico, Oct. 19)	585
Receiving and kick returns	David Williams, Illinois (Purdue, Oct. 12)	16
Passes caught	Scott Schwedes, Syracuse (Boston College, Nov. 16)	249
Receiving yards	Kelvin Martin, Boston College (Holy Cross, Nov. 23)	165
Punt-return yards	Luther Johnson, UTEP (Kent State, Oct. 12)	223
Kickoff-return yards	Luther Johnson, UTEP (Kent State, Oct. 12)	7
Scoring	Dale Klein, Nebraska (Missouri, Oct. 19)	83
Field goals made	team (opponent, date)	565
TEAM	Nebraska (Iowa State, Nov. 9)	702
Rushing plays	Auburn (SW Louisiana, Sept. 7)	585
Net rushing yards	Auburn (SW Louisiana, Sept. 7)	585
Rushing and passing yards	Auburn (SW Louisiana, Sept. 7)	585
Passing yards	Brigham Young (New Mexico, Oct. 19)	585
Fewest rush-pass yards allowed	Brigham Young (Mississippi, Oct. 5)	36
Fewest rushing yards allowed	Auburn (Mississippi, Oct. 5)	67
Passes attempted	Iowa (Drake, Sept. 14)	44
Passes completed	Illinois (Purdue, Oct. 12)	44
Points scored	Brigham Young (Colorado State, Oct. 5)	76
	Florida State (Tulsa, Oct. 19)	76



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FINAL DIVISION I-A TEAM LEADERS

SCORING DEFENSE

	g	pts	avg
Michigan	11	75	6.8
Oklahoma	11	93	8.5
LSU	11	113	10.3
Georgia Tech	11	118	10.7
Penn State	11	129	11.7
Arkansas	11	133	12.1
Tennessee	11	133	12.1
Arizona	11	136	12.4
Nebraska	11	142	12.9

SCORING OFFENSE

	g	pts	avg
Fresno St.	11	430	39.1
Iowa	11	412	37.5
Air Force	12	446	37.2
Miami	11	399	36.3
Nebraska	12	405	33.7
Utah	13	435	33.5
Brigham Young	11	368	33.5
Florida St.	11	365	33.2
Army	11	348	31.6
Bowling Green	11	346	31.5
Oklahoma	11	339	30.8
Texas A&M	11	328	29.8
Auburn	11	318	28.9
UCLA	11	315	28.6
Michigan	11	315	28.6
Ohio State	12	342	28.5
San Diego St.	11	313	28.5
Washington St.	11	305	27.7
Arkansas			

NET PUNTING

	punts	avg	no	ret	yds	net	avg
Colorado	52	46.0	16	164	42.9		
Auburn	57	45.8	25	79	41.1		
Nev.-Las Vegas	66	42.3	31	217	40.7		
Texas	59	44.4	29	318	40.6		
Air Force	54	46.4	15	90	40.3		
Ohio State	42	42.5	19	32	39.9		
Arizona	59	40.4	24	161	39.9		
Florida St.	50	41.7	14	88	39.9		
Nebraska	48	44.2	49	355	39.8		
Mississippi	48	41.5	16	80	39.5		
San Diego St.							

PUNT RETURNS

	games	no	yds	td	avg
Utah	12	20	414	2	20.7
Boston Col.	12	31	511	1	16.5
Syracuse	11	36	469	0	13.0
Texas Tech	11	44	544	1	12.4
Arkansas	11	24	276	0	11.5
Army	11	28	318	1	11.4
Fullerton St.	11	22	246	0	11.2
Kansas St.	11	34	375	2	11.0
Michigan	11	45	476	0	10.6
Southern Miss.					

KICKOFF RETURNS

	g	no	yds	td	avg
Air Force	12	17	459	1	27.0
Nebraska	11	24	633	1	26.4
Fullerton St.	11	48	1199	3	25.0
South Carolina	11	35	834	1	23.8
Georgia Tech	11	23	539	1	23.4
SW Louisiana	11	44	1030	2	23.2
Texas Tech	11	28	651	0	23.2
East Carolina	11	38	883	0	22.8
Fresno St.	11	24	547	0	22.8
Penn State	11	25	569	0	22.8

RUSHING OFFENSE

	g	car	yds	avg	td	yds pg
Nebraska	11	697	4117	5.9	40	374.3
Army	11	699	3700	5.3	43	336.4
Oklahoma	11	749	3694	4.9	35	335.8
Auburn	11	620	3438	5.5	36	312.5
Tulsa	11	627	3371	5.4	27	306.5
Georgia	11	584	3249	5.6	30	295.4
Air Force	12	688	3519	5.1	42	293.2
Arkansas	11	685	2922	4.4	23	259.8
Colorado	11	647	2858	4.6	27	248.2
SMU	11	599	2730	4.6	22	246.6
Virginia	11	594	2713	4.6	22	246.6
Washington St.	11	542	2530	4.7	26	225.2
Clemson	11	555	2475	4.5	24	225.0
Virginia Tech	11	549	2469	4.5	21	224.5
Houston	11	546	2432	4.5	25	217.4
Fresno St.	11	543	2391	4.4	25	217.4
Minnesota	11	577	2391	4.1	21	215.4
UCLA	11	503	2369	4.7	21	215.4
Florida St.	11	541	2365	4.4	16	215.0
Michigan						

RUSHING DEFENSE

	g	car	yds	avg	td	yds pg
UCLA	11	370	773	2.1	11	70.3
Oklahoma	11	405	988	2.4	4	89.8
Georgia	11	440	1095	2.5	9	99.5
Syracuse	11	430	1099	2.6	8	101.5
Iowa	11	434	1117	2.6	2	103.2
Michigan	11	385	1135	2.9	13	103.3
Pittsburgh	11	445	1136	2.6	13	103.3
LSU	11	388	1178	3.0	6	107.1
Arizona	11	388	1178	3.0	6	107.1
Air Force	11	434	1196	2.8	12	108.7
Utah	11	439	1215	2.8	8	108.9
Miami	11	421	1221	2.9	11	111.0
Virginia Tech	11	425	1247	2.9	19	114.8
Arkansas	11	432	1263	2.9	19	114.8
Utah State	11	446	1333	3.0	8	121.2
Nebraska	11	409	1353	3.3	16	123.0
Florida	11	462	1357	2.9	11	123.4
Toledo	11	427	1364	3.2	8	124.0
Southern Miss	11	504	1620	3.2	6	124.6
Brigham Young	13	440	1375	3.1	11	125.0
Ball State						

TOTAL OFFENSE

	g	plays	yds	avg	td	yds pg
Brigham Young	13	1035	6502	6.3	57	500.2
Nebraska	11	841	5197	6.2	46	472.5
New Mexico	11	912	5165	5.7	37	469.5
Iowa	11	858	5076	6.1	46	461.5
Fresno St.	11	828	5076	5.8	41	461.0
Miami	11	836	4851	5.8	39	436.8
Washington St.	11	827	5242	6.3	39	436.5
San Diego St.	12	822	4801	5.8	36	427.0
Purdue	11	860	4697	5.5	42	419.3
Oklahoma	11	857	4612	5.4	38	419.3
Texas A&M	12	839	5021	6.0	51	418.4
Air Force	11	808	4594	5.7	41	417.6
Auburn	11	792	4532	5.7	32	412.0
Tulsa	11	816	4514	5.5	35	410.4
Maryland	12	877	4923	5.6	41	410.2
Utah	11	833	4500	5.4	32	409.1
UCLA	11	787	4472	5.7	34	406.5
Florida	11	780	4447	5.7	39	404.3
Florida St.	11	768	4418	5.8	34	401.6
Michigan						

TOTAL DEFENSE

	g	plays	yds	avg	td	yds pg
Oklahoma	11	650	2128	3.3	9	193.5
Michigan	11	689	2790	4.0	5	253.6
Toledo	11	763	2880	3.8	17	261.8
Central Mich.	10	672	2658	4.0	16	265.8
Iowa	11	755	3044	4.0	16	279.1
Nebraska	11	765	3070	4.0	16	281.8
UCLA	11	733	3100	4.2	20	281.9
Texas A&M	11	765	3101	4.1	19	282.8
Florida	11	726	3111	4.4	18	288.1
Southern Miss	11	722	3169	4.4	18	289.8
Arizona	11	748	3182	4.3	17	291.7
Southern Cal.	11	720	3188	4.4	18	291.7
Baylor	11	770	3209	4.2	16	292.3
Oklahoma	11	792	3215	4.1	13	293.3
Miami	11	772	3226	4.2	16	293.6
Arkansas	11	744	3230	4.3	19	296.9
Colorado	11	754	3266	4.3	19	297.9
Brigham Young	13	915	3873	4.2	14	298.2
Auburn	11	695	3280	4.7	18	298.2
Arizona St.	11	784	3285	4.2	15	298.6

PASSING DEFENSE

	g	att	cmp	int	pct	yds	avg	td	yds pg
Oklahoma	11	245	107	18	43.7	1140	4.7	5	103.6
Texas Tech	11	184	87	9	47.3	1204	6.5	6	109.5
Baylor	11	221	96	14	43.4	1289	5.8	7	117.2
Texas A&M	11	256	106	16	41.4	1461	6.1	4	132.8
SMU	11	242	116	11	47.9	1480	5.7	7	137.5
Oklahoma St.	11	268	125	20	46.6	1512	5.6	2	137.7
Central Mich.	10	233	128	14	54.9	1377	5.9	7	138.2
Western Mich.	11	263	141	15	53.6	1520	5.8	6	138.5
Toledo	11	227	114	17	50.2	1557	5.1	6	141.5
Kansas St.	11	292	149	11	51.0	1578	6.2	13	143.5
Colorado	11	258	131	11	50.8	1604	5.4	7	145.8
Nev.-Las Vegas	11	278	141	16	50.7	1619	5.8	8	147.2
Southern Cal.	11	297	124	8	41.8	1632	5.5	11	148.4
Iowa State	11	317	156	16	49.2	1640	5.5	8	150.0
Georgia Tech	11	299	156	22	52.2	1650	5.4	3	150.5
Tennessee	11	304	160	20	52.6	1655	5.4	8	151.3
Michigan	11	227	123	13	54.2	1664	7.3	5	156.9
Navy	11	323	160	18	49.5	1726	5.3	8	157.9
Penn State	11	319	153	20	48.0	1737	5.4	8	157.9
Nebraska									

PASSING OFFENSE

PASSING OFFENSE									
	g	att	cmp	int	pct	yds	avg	td	yds pg
Brigham Young	13	560	366	24	65.4	4608	8.2	32	354.5
Purdue	11	471	292	13	62.0	3760	8.0	23	341.8
Miami	11	382	227	16	61.7	3501	9.5	24	318.3
Iowa	11	382	247	15	64.7	3292	8.6	29	299.3
Long Beach St.	12	456	323	18	70.8	3575	7.8	19	297.9
New Mexico	11	395	194	24	49.1	3245	8.2	12	295.0
San Diego St.	11	437	269	21	61.6	3447	7.9	24	287.2
Illinois	11	462	290	28	62.8	2992	6.5	16	272.0
Boston Col.	12	455	249	28	54.7	3230	7.1	13	269.2
Utah	11	449	253	23	56.3	3199	7.1	20	266.6
Florida	12	449	253	23	62.2	2924	9.6	24	265.8
Stanford	11	304	189	11	67.2	2874	6.5	10	261.3
Bowling Green	11	439	295	15	67.2	2856	7.2	20	259.6
N. C. State	11	394	239	16	60.7	2856	7.4	18	258.6
Kansas	11	394	239	18	55.3	2845	7.2	15	254.7
Tulane	11	385	213	18	55.2	3057	7.2	10	245.0
San Jose St.	11	426	235	13	55.6	2695	6.5	8	243.3
Fresno St.	12	417	232	11	55.6	2676	6.3	14	240.6
Vanderbilt	11	426	209	23	49.1	2647	8.5	14	240.4
Tennessee	11	312	184	9	59.0	2644	6.9	8	234.5
Georgia	11	384	213	15	55.5	2579	8.7	19	234.5
Alabama	11	297	190	11	64.0				

NET PUNTING

	punts	avg	no	ret	avg
NW Louisiana	68	43.1	29	185	40.4
Citadel	78	42.2	34	216	39.4
Northern Ariz	78	42.8	44	280	39.2
Appalachian St.	75	41.2	26	165	38.5
Lehigh	52	41.6	23	98	37.8
Furman	44	39.9	21	98	37.8
Western Caro.	68	40.5	23	152	37.8
Northern Iowa	57	39.9	19	95	37.8
Middle Tenn.	44	39.6	26	110	37.7
Akron	60				

PUNT RETURNS

	games	no	yds	td	avg
Richmond	11	23	427	2	18.6
Miss. Valley	11	31	561	2	18.1
Southern Ill.	11	30	438	5	14.6
Idaho	11	31	420	2	13.5
Jackson St.	10	27	340	3	12.6
No. Caro. A&T	11	32	360	0	11.2
Ga. Southern	11	24	260	0	10.8
Tenn.-Chattanooga	11	35	377	1	10.8
Southern U.	11	30	310	0	10.3

KICKOFF RETURNS

	games	no	yds	td	avg
Middle Tenn.	11	20	527	1	26.3
Miss. Valley	11	32	792	2	24.7
SW Missouri St.	11	30	679	1	22.3
Southern U.	11	44	981	0	22.1
Appalachian St.	11	26	574	2	21.8
Colgate	11	41	893	2	21.7
Nevada-Reno	11	20	434	0	21.7
Indiana St.	10	32	680	0	21.2

TOTAL OFFENSE

	g	plays	yds	avg	td	yds pg
Weber St.	11	892	5677	6.4	56	516.1
Idaho	11	950	5492	5.8	50	499.3
Miss. Valley	11	923	5344	5.8	60	485.8
Nevada-Reno	11	827	5230	6.3	53	475.5
Furman	11	787	5128	6.5	51	466.2
Eastern Wash.	10	811	4567	5.6	42	456.7
Idaho St.	11	877	5018	5.7	42	456.2
Colgate	11	866	5012	5.8	50	455.6
Rhode Island	10	854	4965	5.9	35	443.6
West Texas St.	10	750	4436	5.9	38	438.8
Northern Iowa	10	872	4827	5.5	44	433.9
SW Missouri St.	11	755	4773	6.3	48	433.0
Delaware St.	11	759	4763	6.3	48	416.2
S.C. State	11	780	4578	5.9	40	416.2
Boise St.	11	823	4358	5.3	31	396.2
William & Mary	11	798	4355	5.5	35	395.9
Lehigh	11	880	4326	4.9	34	393.3
Eastern Ky.	11	771	4315	5.6	37	392.2
Alcorn State	10	800	3915	4.9	32	391.5
Ga. Southern	11	738	4276	5.8	38	388.7
Richmond	11	820	4270	5.2	35	388.2

TOTAL DEFENSE

	g	plays	yds	avg	td	yds pg
Arkansas St.	11	741	2847	3.8	14	258.8
Tenn.-Chatt.	11	768	2930	3.8	17	266.4
Jackson St.	10	701	2716	3.9	18	275.7
Grambling	11	770	3033	3.9	18	277.1
Tennessee St.	11	721	3048	4.2	21	277.3
Akron	11	728	3050	4.2	18	277.3
Brown	10	664	2773	4.2	15	277.8
Austin Peay	11	733	3056	4.2	24	277.8
Delaware St.	11	746	3100	4.2	23	281.8
James Madison	11	734	3127	4.3	22	284.3
Massachusetts	11	763	3151	4.1	15	286.5
New Hampshire	10	704	2875	4.1	21	287.5
Western Ill.	10	596	2887	4.8	26	288.7
Nevada-Reno	11	792	3181	4.0	18	289.2
Appalachian St.	11	765	3202	4.2	13	291.1
Delaware	11	749	3234	4.3	18	294.0
Northern Iowa	10	759	3246	4.3	20	295.8
Pennsylvania	10	706	2958	4.2	19	295.8
Alabama St.	11	689	3282	4.8	29	298.4

TURNOVER MARGIN

	turnovers gained	turnovers lost	margin
Appalachian St.	19	19	38
Middle Tenn.	18	26	44
Grambling	22	31	53
Tennessee St.	21	22	43
Nevada-Reno	14	27	41
Harvard	20	21	41
Louisiana Tech.	18	23	41

FINAL DIVISION I-AA TEAM LEADERS

PASSING OFFENSE

	g	att	cmp	int	pct	yds	yds/att	td	yds pg
Rhode Island	11	598	331	25	55.4	4227	7.1	40	384.2
Miss. Valley	11	512	305	31	59.6	3892	7.6	42	353.8
West Texas St.	10	485	294	14	60.6	3404	7.0	21	340.4
Idaho	11	447	281	17	62.9	3492	7.8	21	317.5
Weber St.	11	406	220	18	54.2	3398	8.4	24	308.9
William & Mary	11	458	265	16	57.9	3320	7.2	23	301.8
Idaho St.	11	454	243	20	53.5	3291	7.2	24	299.2
Eastern Wash.	10	406	229	14	56.4	2936	7.2	24	293.6
Eastern Ill.	11	503	262	23	52.1	3205	6.4	22	291.4
Western Ky.	11	506	281	10	55.5	3064	6.1	20	278.5
Lehigh	11	448	246	18	54.9	2975	8.3	17	262.9
NE Louisiana	11	350	192	15	54.9	2892	8.1	28	256.4
Nevada-Reno	11	349	215	20	61.6	2820	6.7	17	256.3
Bethune-Cook	10	381	169	29	44.4	2563	5.7	19	251.3
Montana St.	11	487	254	29	52.2	2764	8.0	20	242.5
Northern Iowa	11	334	189	12	56.6	2668	7.7	21	240.0
Colgate	11	345	180	15	52.2	2640	6.3	15	237.1
Tennessee St.	11	415	196	12	47.7	2608	7.1	17	235.6
Alcorn State	10	331	158	6	50.9	2118	6.7	8	235.3
Connecticut	9	318	162	21					

PASSING DEFENSE

	g	att	cmp	int	pct	yds	yds/att	td	yds pg
Dartmouth	10	211	109	9	51.7	1103	5.2	5	110.3
Tenn. Tech.	11	202	100	11	49.5	1300	6.4	7	118.2
Southern Ill.	11	253	131	11	51.8	1392	5.5	8	126.5
Austin Peay	11	244	119	24	48.8	1528	6.3	10	138.9
Citadel	11	270	116	18	43.0	1545	5.7	9	140.5
Yale	9	190	105	12	55.3	1286	6.8	7	142.9
McNeese St.	11	306	132	19	43.1	1636	5.3	10	148.7
SW Texas St.	11	266	122	13	45.9	1669	6.3	15	151.7
Western Ill.	10	218	116	18	53.2	1528	7.0	14	152.8
NE Louisiana	11	275	124	10	45.1	1697	6.2	12	154.3
Holy Cross	11	266	131	12	49.2	1736	6.5	9	157.8
Pennsylvania	10	290	136	15	46.9	1581	5.5	5	158.1
James Madison	11	302	154	12	51.0	1744	5.8	10	158.5
Davidson	11	250	138	11	55.2	1745	7.0	16	159.2
New Hampshire	10	290	128	9	44.1	1592	7.8	13	161.7
Columbia	10	208	113	9	54.3	1617	6.0	5	162.5
Arkansas St.	11	299	140	23	46.8	1788	6.1	12	162.8
Murray State	11	296	160	17	54.1	1791	7.5	19	162.9
Morehead St.	11	240	138	7	57.5	1792	6.3	11	163.4
Northeastern	10	259	137	13	52.9	1634			

SCORING OFFENSE

	g	pts	avg
Miss. Valley	11	457	41.5
Nevada-Reno	11	447	40.6
Weber St.	11	411	37.4
Idaho	11	403	36.6
Colgate	11	394	35.8
Delaware St.	11	387	35.2
Furman	11	384	34.9
Rhode Island	11	367	33.4
Middle Tenn.	10	367	33.4
Eastern Wash.	10	325	32.5
SW Missouri St.	11	321	31.9
Idaho St.	11	343	31.2
Northern Iowa	11	342	31.1
Southern Ill.	11	327	29.7
Ga. Southern	11	321	29.2
Jackson St.	10	285	28.5
Alcorn State	10	284	28.4
Grambling	11	310	28.2
S.C. State	11	299	27.2
Eastern Ky.	11	298	27.1

Eric Beavers
Nevada-Reno

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ALL-PURPOSE RUNNERS

	cl	g	rush	rec	pr	kor	yds	yds pg
Gill Fenerty, Holy Cross	SR	10	1368	187	1	414	2113	197.0
Merrill Hoge, Idaho State	JR	11	1041	708	0	364	2113	192.1
Ken Gamble, Colgate	SO	11	1361	162	0	520	2043	185.7
Keith Williams, SW Missouri St.	SR	11	1201	510	0	232	1943	176.6
Michael Clemons, Wm. & Mary	JR	11	714	657	60	0	1880	170.9
Brian Forster, Rhode Island	JR	10	0	1617	0	275	1812	167.7
Freddie Cook, Weber State	SR	11	893	644	0	273	1421	157.9
Jamie Potkul, Brown	SR	9	1015	133	0	0	1587	144.3
Builton Murchison, Lamar	SO	11	1547	156	0	107	1151	143.9
Andre Garraway, New Hampshire	SR	8	888	1237	0	201	1438	143.8
Stan Carraway, West Texas St.	JR	10	1241	172	0	464	1530	139.1
Charvez Foger, Nevada-Reno	FR	11	960	106	0	0	1384	138.4
Rodney Payne, Murray State	FR	11	1007	377	0	430	1501	136.5
Jamie Townsend, Eastern Wash.	SO	10	1	730	340	14	1350	135.0
Herbert Harrison, No. Caro A&T	JR	11	1103	182	0	0	1426	129.6
Eric Yarbber, Idaho	SR	10	51	1103	0	0	1417	128.8
Duwayne Pitts, Eastern Ill.	SR	11	968	458	0	0	1417	128.7
John Settle, Appalachian	SR	10	1340	77	0	470	1287	128.3
Earl Beecham, Bucknell	JR	10	549	268	0	0	1411	128.1
Mike Clark, Akron	JR	11	1299	112	0	0	1409	125.3
Carl Boyd, Northern Iowa	SO	11	1020	389	0	492	1378	125.0
Ronald Scott, Southern B.R.	JR	11	669	217	99	232	1375	124.8
John Taylor, Delaware St.	SR	11	122	922	85	0	141	1373
Jon Francis, Boise State	SR	11	1147					

TOTAL OFFENSE

	car	rushing	net	alt	yds	total offense	tds	yds pg
Tom Ehhardt, Rhode Island	35	56	138	-82	494	3542	529	346.0
Dave Stireman, Weber State	124	760	248	512	378	3247	502	341.7
Willie Totten, Miss. Val.	69	180	136	-44	492	3698	561	340.2
Tod Mayfield, West Texas St.	41	61	165	-44	484	3404	525	330.0
Rick Workman, Eastern Wash.	55	153	202	-49	398	2882	513	283.3
Marty Horn, Lehigh	67	217	152	-65	446	2975	482	276.4
Stan Yagiello, Wm. & Mary	69	222	171	-141	494	3146	594	273.9
Sean Payton, Eastern Ill.	100	150	291	-141	494	3146	594	273.2
Tom Burgess, Colgate	123	595	233	-176	342	2880	425	266.1
Bubby Brister, NE Louisiana	83	155	331	-176	342	2880	425	245.8
Bernard Hawk, Bethune-Cook	24	29	75	-46	343	2438	367	239.2
Eric Beavers, Nevada-Reno	39	84	107	-23	319	2617	358	231.1
Jeff Cesarone, Western Ky.	42	27	222	-195	447	2737	489	229.8
Gilbert Rentfro, Tennessee St.	71	243	207	-36	395	2492	466	226.1
Jeff Miller, Indiana St.	102	315	109	-31	256	2055	429	221.6
Richard Myles, Alcorn St.	35	76	107	-44	348	2380	460	220.4
Al Comer, Va. Military	112	306	262	-44	348	2380	460	218.9
Mike Smith, Northern Iowa	68	249	198	-19	292	1973	393	217.1
Peter Lane, Connecticut	101	330	349	-19	292	1973	393	215.2
David Bates, Texas-Arlington	81	470	152	-318	288	2049	369	210.4
Carl Fodor, Marshall	58	70	194	-124	400	2438	458	207.0
Kip Allen, Citadel	57	88	289	-201	417	2478	474	205.3
Alan Hooker, No. Caro. A&T	122	561	369	-192	319	2066	441	

PASSING EFFICIENCY

PASSING EFFICIENCY												
(Min. 15 att. per game)	cl	g	att	cmp	pct	int	pct	yds	avg	td	pct	rating
Bobby Lamb, Furman	SR	11	181	106	58.56	6	3.31	1856	10.25	18	9.94	170.9
Eric Beavers, Nevada-Reno	JR	11	319	199	62.38	12	3.76	2617	8.20	27	8.46	151.7
Rick Sloan, Idaho	SR	11	229	156	68.12	11	4.80	1872	8.17	15	6.55	148.1
Willie Totten, Miss. Val.	SR	11	492	295	59.96	29	5.89	3698	7.52	39	7.93	137.1
Dave Stireman, Weber State	SO	11	378	206	54.50	18	4.76	3247	8.59	23	6.08	136.1
Mike Smith, Northern Iowa	SR	11	291	169	58.08	11	3.78	2357	8.10	16	4.97	133.1
Bubby Brister, NE Louisiana	SR	11	342	191	55.85	14	4.09	2880	8.42	17	5.06	131.1
Richard Myles, Alcorn St.	SR	9	256	130	50.78	3	1.17	2025	7.91	15	7.88	113.1
Tom Ehhardt, Rhode Island	SR	10	494	283	57.29	19	3.85	3542	7.17	35	5.98	111.1
Bob Bleier, Richmond	JR	11	301	186	61.79	16	5.32	2208	7.17	23	5.57	110.1
Stan Yagiello, Wm & Mary	JR	11	413	240	58.11	10	2.42	2962	7.17	23	5.78	108.1
Tracy Ham, Ga. Southern	SR	10	398	225	56.53	14	3.52	2882	7.24	23	5.43	107.1
Rick Workman, Eastern Wash	SR	10	484	294	60.74	4	2.89	3404	7.03	21	4.33	106.1
Tod Mayfield, West Texas St.	FR	9	208	115	55.29	7	3.37	1601	7.70	9	6.19	102.1
Paul Singer, Western Ill.	SR	11	339	175	51.62	15	4.42	2565	7.57	21	7.52	101.1
Tom Burgess, Colgate	SO	11	319	164	51.41	8	2.51	2066	6.48	24	6.06	99.1
Alan Hooker, No. Caro. A&T	JR	11	316	180	56.96	18	5.70	1617	7.43	16	5.06	97.1
Doug Hudson, Nicholls St.	JR	9	215	124	57.67	6	2.79	1612	7.71	11	5.26	96.1
Scott Linehan, Idaho	JR	10	209	113	54.07	13	6.22	1294	7.31	6	5.39	95.1
Hazen Choates, Boise State	JR	11	177	103	58.19	8	4.52	1294	7.31	6	5.43	94.1
Mike Whitaker, Eastern Ky.	SR	11	239	133	55.65	12	5.02	1641	6.87	13	5.44	93.1
Kevin Sisk, Murray State	FR	9	157	84	53.50	5	3.18	1152	7.34	5	3.18	92.1
Dave Palazzi, Massachusetts												

RECEIVING

	cl	g	cl	yds	td	ctpg
Brian Forster, Rhode Island	JR	10	115	1617	12	11.5
Stan Carraway, West Texas St.	JR	10	79	1237	11	7.9
Joe Thomas, Mississippi Val.	SR	11	83	1155	17	7.5
Eric Yarbber, Idaho	SR	10	75	1103	10	7.5
Scott Auker, Idaho	SR	11	80	827	4	7.3
William Brooks, Boston U.	SR	11	79	1210	11	7.2
Craig Slama, Weber State	SR	11	77	1290	14	6.6
Rennie Benn, Lehigh	SR	11	73	1087	4	6.4
Michael Clemons, Wm. & Mary	SR	11	70	657	4	6.3
David Pandt, Montana St.	SR	11	69	669	4	6.2
Ron Gilliam, Wm. & Mary	SR	11	68	1110	7	6.1
Sebastian Brown, Bethune-Cook	SR	10	61	1032	9	6.1
John Tagliatieri, Cornell	SR	10	61	358	1	6.1
Merrill Hoge, Idaho State	SR	11	67	708	6	5.9
Tom Stenglein, Colgate	SR	11	65	984	13	5.9
Leland Melvin, Richmond	SR	11	65	956	8	5.9
Alan Mullins, Western Ky.	SR	11	65	849	7	5.9
Duwayne Pitts, Eastern Ill.	SO	11	59	817	9	5.9
Roy Banks, Eastern Ill.	JR	10	59	591	4	5.8
Tony Dimaggio, Rhode Island	SR	9	52	591	5	5.7
Donald Narcisse, Tx. Southern	JR	11	63	709	5	5.7
Rick Shepas, Youngstown St.	JR	11	61	959	3	5.5
Calvin Pierce, Eastern Ill.	JR	11	60	900	4	5.5

Gill Fenerty
Holy Cross

LD GOALS

	cl	g	fga	fg	pct	fg	pg
Benyola, Louisiana Tech	SR	11	31	24	774	2	18
Klaus, Akron	SR	10	29	19	655	1	90
Zendejas, Nevada-Reno	SO	11	24	19	792	1	73
Politi, Illinois St.	SO	11	26	17	654	1	55
It Roper, Texas-Arlington	SO	11	17	16	941	1	45
Foley, Ga. Southern	SR	11	29	16	552	1	45
Roberto Moran, Boise St.	FR	11	22	15	682	1	36
John Dowling, Youngstown St.	SO	11	23	13	565	1	30
Ardashir Nobahar, Grambling	SR	10	23	13	875	1	27
Chris Ingerslev, Brown	FR	11	16	14	737	1	27
rian Decicio, Idaho	FR	11	19	14	737	1	27
ate Dawson, Eastern Ky	SO	11	20	14	700	1	27
John Dowling, Youngstown St.	SO	11	22	14	636	1	27
Ardashir Nobahar, Grambling	SR	10	20	12	600	1	20
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INTERCEPTIONS

	cl	g	no	yds	td	avg	pg
Mike Cassidy, Rhode Island	SR	10	9	169	0	90	
George Duarte, Northern Ariz.	SR	10	9	150	2	90	
Carl Johnson, Jackson St.	SO	10	8	138	2	80	
Darrell Woods, Jackson St.	SR	10	8	104	0	80	
Cecil Cox, Harvard	SR	11	8	142	1	73	
Phillip Aldridge, Tenn.-Chatt.	SR	11	8	25	0	73	
Bertram Chew, Delaware St.	SR	11	8	16	0	73	
Tom Hennessey, Idaho	SR	11	8	14	0	73	
Tim Whaley, SE Louisiana	SR	11	7	114	0	64	
Robert Goins, Grambling	SR	11	7	91	0	64	
Victor Hill, Grambling	SR	11	7	90	0	64	
Taylor Lackey, Richmond	SR	11	7	64	1	64	
Mike Mayo, Va. Military	SR	10	6	7	0	60	
Harvard Firsh, Bethune-Cook	SR	10	6	7	0	60	

RUSHING

	cl	g	car	yds	avg	td	yds	pg
Burton Murchison, Lamar	SR	10	265	1547	5.8	8	140.6	
Gill Fenerty, Holy Cross	SR	10	247	1368	5.5	7	136.8	
Charvez Foger, Nevada-Reno	SO	10	179	1241	6.9	14	124.1	
Ken Gamble, Colgate	SR	11	246	1361	5.5	15	123.7	
John Settle, Appalachian	SR	11	254	1340	5.3	14	121.8	
Mike Clark, Akron	SR	11	301	1299	4.3	12	118.1	
James Crawford, Eastern Ky	SR	11	227	1282	5.6	6	116.5	
Jamie Polkul, Brown	SR	9	239	1015	4.2	9	112.8	
Andre Garron, New Hampshire	SR	8	175	888	5.1	11	111.0	
Byron Mitchell, Southern Ill.	SR	11	171	1211	7.1	7	110.1	
Keith Williams, SW Missouri St.	SR	11	158	1201	7.6	9	109.2	
Warren Marshall, James Madison	SR	11	219	1181	5.4	4	107.4	
Gerald Anderson, Middle Tenn.	SR	10	182	1062	5.8	12	106.2	
Jon Francis, Boise State	SR	11	203	1147	5.7	9	104.3	
Elroy Harris, Eastern Ky	SR	11	179	1134	6.3	14	103.1	
Jamie Townsend, Eastern Wash.	SR	10	203	1007	5.0	11	100.7	
Stephon Wilson, Illinois State	SR	11	231	1101	4.8	4	100.1	
Terry Hoover, Delaware St.	SR	10	112	962	8.6	11	94.7	
Oscar Smith, Nicholls St.	SR	10	206	947	4.6	11	94.6	
Merrill Hoge, Idaho State	SR	11	198	1041	5.3	10	94.6	
Eddie Hayward, Tenn. Tech.	SR	11	247	1021	4.1	7	92.8	
Carl Boyd, Northern Iowa	SR	11	237	1020	4.3	14	92.7	
John Stephens, NW Louisiana	SR	11	202	1001	5.0	5	91.0	

SCORING

	cl	g	td	xp	fg	pts	ptpg
Charvez Foger, Nevada-Reno	SO	11	0	50	0	108	10.8
Marty Zendejas, Nevada-Reno	SR	11	0	0	0	107	9.7
Dameon Reilly, Rhode Island	SR	11	0	0	0	102	9.3
Joe Thomas, Mississippi Val.	SR	11	0	0	0	102	9.3
Chas Fox, Furman	SR	9	13	4	0	82	9.1
Andre Garron, New Hampshire	SR	8	12	0	0	72	9.0
Carl Boyd, Northern Iowa	SR	11	16	2	0	98	8.9
Merrill Hoge, Idaho State	SR	11	16	0	0	96	8.7
Ken Gamble, Colgate	SR	11	16	0	0	96	8.7
Keith Williams, SW Missouri St.	SR	11	16	0	0	96	8.7
Wayne Hill, Grambling	SR	11	16	0	0	96	8.7
George Benyola, Louisiana Tech	SR	11	15	0	23	24	95
John Taylor, Delaware St.	FR	11	14	4	0	88	8.0
Elroy Harris, Eastern Ky	SR	10	0	23	19	80	8.0
Russ Klaus, Akron	SR	11	14	2	0	86	7.8
John Settle, Appalachian	SR	11	14	0	0	84	7.6
Rennie Benn, Lehigh	FR	11	0	41	14	83	7.5
Brian Decicio, Idaho	FR	11	0	34	16	82	7.5
Roberto Moran, Boise St.	SO	11	0	33	16	81	7.4
Tim Foley, Ga. Southern	SR	9	11	0	0	66	7.3
Perry Qualis, Alcorn St.	SR	11	13	2	0	80	7.3
Tom Stenglein, Colgate	SR	11	13	2	0	80	7.3

SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

PLAYER	player, team (opponent, date)	total
Rushing and Passing	Vern Harris, Idaho State (Montana, Oct. 12)	587
Rushing and passing plays	Vern Harris, Idaho State (Montana, Oct. 12)	48
Rushing and passing yards	Mike Clark, Akron (Western Ky., Oct. 5)	259
Rushing plays	Burton Murchison, Lamar (Rice, Sept. 28)	42
Net rushing yards	Tod Mayfield, Montana State (Eastern Wash., Sept. 21)	42
Passes completed	Kelly Bradley, Montana State (Montana, Oct. 12)	589
Passing yards	Vern Harris, Idaho State (Montana, Oct. 12)	8
Touchdown passes	Willie Totten, Mississippi Val. (Texas Southern, Oct. 26)	8
Receiving and kick returns	Tom Ehrhardt, Rhode Island (Connecticut, Nov. 16)	21
Passes caught	David Pandt, Montana State (Eastern Wash., Sept. 21)	327
Receiving yards	Brian Forster, Rhode Island (Brown, Sept. 28)	143
Punt-return yards	Sebron Spivey, Southern Ill. (SE Missouri St., Oct. 19)	245
Kickoff-return yards	Mike Rice, Montana (Weber State, Nov. 2)	30
Scoring	Keith Williams, SW Missouri St. (NE Missouri St., Oct. 5)	30
Points scored	Rennie Benn, Lehigh (Indiana [Pa.], Sept. 14)	78
TEAM	team (opponent, date)	total
Rushing plays	SW Missouri St. (Southern Illinois, Sept. 7)	505
Net rushing yards	SW Missouri St. (NE Missouri St., Oct. 5)	800
Rushing and passing yards	Weber State (Montana, Nov. 2)	599
Passing yards	Idaho State (Montana, Oct. 12)	6
Fewest rush-pass yards allowed	Idaho State (Montana, Oct. 19)	51
Fewest rushing yards allowed	Pennsylvania (Davidson, Oct. 5)	69
Fewest rushing yards allowed	Northern Iowa (Western Illinois, Oct. 5)	69
Passes attempted	Idaho State (Montana, Oct. 12)	86
Points scored	Western Kentucky (Middle Tennessee, Nov. 9)	
	Montana State (Eastern Oregon, Sept. 14)	

PUNT RETURNS

	cl	no	yds	td	avg
(Min. 1.2 per game)					
J. Armstrong, Richmond	SR	19	391	2	20.6
Willie Ware, Miss. Val.	SR	31	561	2	18.1
Darryl Jones, Jackson St.	FR	16	210	1	13.1
Brant Bengen, Idaho	SR	14	183	1	13.1
Eric Yaber, Idaho	SR	24	182	1	12.1
D. McCrary, Tenn.-Chatt.	SR	28	339	1	11.7
H. Harbison, N.C.A. & T.	SR	29	340	0	11.7
S. Spivey, Southern Ill.	SR	16	185	2	11.6
Nay Young, Ga. Southern	SR	18	201	0	11.2
Rob Friese, Eastern Wash.	SR	22	239	1	10.9
Mark Carrier, Nichols St.	SR	16	163	1	10.2
Flip Johnson, McNeese St.	SR	19	191	1	10.1
Joe Fuller, Northern Iowa	SR	20	198	0	9.9
Kevin Desett, Grambling	SR	31	305	0	9.8
Milton Barney, Akron St.	SR	28	261	1	9.3
J. Fitzgerald, Idaho St.	SR	40	372	1	9.3

KICKOFF RETURNS

	cl	no	yds	td	avg
(Min. 1.2 per game)					
R. Payne, Murray St.	FR	16	464	0	29.0
R. Scott, Southern B.R.	SR	17	492	1	28.9
Curtis Chappell, Howard	SR	18	513	2	28.5
Earl Beecham, Bucknell	SR	17	470	1	26.1
C. Richardson, E. Wash.	SR	30	765	2	25.5
Willie Ware, Miss. Val.	SR	20	509	1	25.4
M. Clemons, Wm. & Mary	SR	14	335	0	23.9
J. Crockett, Weber St.	SR	15	351	0	23.4
Keith Isom, Appalachian	SR	12	278	0	23.2
Gary Cannon, Indiana St.	SR	18	415	0	23.1
Isaiah Hill, Eastern Ky	SR	17	386	0	22.7
P. Hunter, Nev.-Reno	SR	22	499	0	22.7
Mark Rudder, Furman	SR	16	354	0	22.1
Fred Moles, Austin Peay	SR	16	353	0	22.1
Tony Belser, Ga. Southern	SR	14	307	0	21.9
M. Camper, N. Texas St.	FR	14	307	0	21.9

PUNTING

	cl	no	avg
(Min. 3.6 per game)			
Mike Rice, Montana	SR	62	44.7
George Cimadevilla, East Tenn.	SR	66	44.7
Curtis Moody, Texas Southern	SR	50	43.2
Russell Griffith, Weber State	SR	49	43.1
Greg Burke, Morehead St.	SR	68	43.1
Mike Crow, NW Louisiana	SR	70	42.8
John Earl, Northern Ariz.	SR	77	42.7
Barry Woodruff, Citadel	SR	43	42.4
David Hood, Tennessee St.	SR	63	41.9
Nick Xides, Youngstown St.	SR	59	41.8
Steve Banco, Lehigh	SR	52	41.6
Mark Royals, Appalachian	SR	74	41.5
Ricky Fernandez, Lamar	SR	53	41.2
Mike Knapp, Akron	SR	53	41.1

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Offense	First Team	Second Team
Quarterback	Chuck Long—Iowa	Vinny Testaverde—Miami
Running Back	Bo Jackson—Auburn	Doug DuBose—Nebraska
Running Back	Lorenzo White—Michigan State	Reggie Dupard—SMU
Wide Receiver	David Williams—Illinois	Richard Estell—Kansas
Wide Receiver	Tim McGee—Tennessee	Mark Bellini—Brigham Young
Tackle	Jim Dombrowski—Virginia	Doug Williams—Texas A&M
Tackle	Brian Jozwiak—West Virginia	Mark Cochran—Baylor
Guard	J.D. Maarleveld—Maryland	Jamie Dukes—Florida State
Guard	Jeff Bregel—Southern Cal.	Jeff Zimmerman—Florida
Center	Pete Anderson—Georgia	Gene Chilton—Texas
Place Kicker	John Lee—UCLA	Carlos Reveiz—Tennessee

Defense	First Team	Second Team
Linemen	Tony Casillas—Oklahoma	Alonzo Johnson—Florida
Linemen	Tim Green—Syracuse	Kevin Murphy—Oklahoma
Linemen	Mike Hammerstein—Michigan	Pat Swilling—Georgia Tech
Linemen	Leslie O'Neal—Oklahoma	Jim Skow—Nebraska
Linemen	Mike Ruth—Boston College	Cornelius Bennett—Alabama
Linebacker	Brian Bosworth—Oklahoma	Mike Mallory—Michigan
Linebacker	Pepper Johnson—Ohio State	Shane Conlan—Penn State
Linebacker	Larry Station—Iowa	Johnny Holland—Texas A&M
Back	Brad Cochran—Michigan	Scott Thomas—Air Force
Back	Allen Durden—Arizona	Phil Parker—Michigan
Back	David Fulcher—Arizona State	Mark Moore—Oklahoma State
Punter	Barry Helton—Colorado	Lewis Colbert—Auburn

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Offense	First Team	Second Team
Quarterback	Chuck Long—Iowa	Vinny Testaverde—Miami
Running Back	Bo Jackson—Auburn	Reggie Dupard—Southern Methodist
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Wide Receiver	Tim McGee—Tennessee	Lew Barnes—Oregon
Wide Receiver	David Williams—Illinois	Webster Slaughter—San Diego State
Tight end	Willie Smith—Miami	Keith Jackson—Oklahoma
Tackle	Jim Dombrowski—Virginia	John Clay—Missouri
Tackle	Brian Jozwiak—West Virginia	Doug Williams—Texas A&M
Guard	Jeff Bregel—Southern Cal.	Jamie Dukes—Florida State
Guard	John Rienstra—Temple	Don Smith—Army
Center	Pete Anderson—Georgia	Bill Lewis—Nebraska
Place-kicker	John Lee—UCLA	John Dietrich—Ball State

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Monday, September 1
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Saturday, September 6
UCLA at Oklahoma 3 PM (ABC)
Florida State at Nebraska 8 PM (ABC)
Saturday, September 13
Michigan at Notre Dame 3 PM (ABC)
Texas A&M at Louisiana State 8 PM (ESPN)
Ohio State at Washington TBA (CBS)
Saturday, September 20
Notre Dame at Michigan State 2:30 PM (CBS)
Saturday, September 27
Oklahoma at Miami 3:30 PM (CBS)
Friday, November 28
Maryland at Virginia 2:30 PM (CBS)
Saturday, November 29
Notre Dame at Southern Cal 3:30 PM (CBS)
Saturday, December 6
Army vs. Navy 2:20 PM (CBS)
Brigham Young at Air Force 3 PM (ABC)
Thursday, January 1
Citrus Bowl 12 Noon (ABC)
Fiesta Bowl 1:30 PM (NBC)
Sugar Bowl 3:30 PM (ABC)
Rose Bowl 5 PM (NBC)
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Saturday, January 10
Hula Bowl 4 PM (NBC)

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ABILENE CHRISTIAN Abilene, TX

S. 6 Northern Colo. + *F	45-23
S. 13 SW Texas*F	
S. 20 Central St. Okla.*F	24-24
O. 4 SE Missouri + *U	30-44
O. 11 Eastern N.M.U.	9-23
O. 25 Angelo St. + U	18-35
N. 1 Howard Payne*F	30-0
N. 8 East Texas St. + F	30-9
N. 15 Texas A&I*U	3-10
N. 22 West Texas St. + U	25-18

Coach: John Payne • Colors: Purple & White
Nickname: Wildcats • 1985 Record: W-5, L-4, T-2

AIR FORCE ACADEMY

Air Force Academy, CO

A. 30 Hawaii + F	27-20
S. 6 Texas-El Paso*F	48-6
S. 20 Wyoming + F	49-7
S. 27 Colorado St. + F	35-19
O. 3 Utah*U	37-15
O. 11 Navy + F	24-7
O. 18 Notre Dame U	21-15
O. 25 San Diego St.*F	31-10
N. 8 Army*F	45-7
N. 22 Rice F	59-17
D. 6 Brigham Young + U	21-28

Coach: Fisher De Berry • Colors: Blue & Silver
Nickname: Falcons • 1985 Record: W-12, L-1

AKRON Akron, OH

S. 6 Salem + *F	
S. 13 Kent State F	24-0
S. 20 Eastern Mich.*F	16-12
S. 27 Central Florida + *F	
O. 11 Middle Tenn. U	0-17
O. 18 Murray St. + *F	17-10
O. 25 Morehead St. + *F	38-9
N. 1 Tenn. Tech F	27-9
N. 8 Austin Peay + F	17-14
N. 15 Eastern Ky. + U	6-16
N. 21 Youngstown St.*F	30-5

Coach: Geny Faust • Colors: Blue & Gold
Nickname: Zips • 1985 Record: W-8, L-3

ALABAMA University, AL

A. 27 Ohio State*%F	
S. 6 Vanderbilt + F	40-20
S. 13 Southern Miss. α F	24-13
S. 20 Florida F	
O. 4 Notre Dame α F	
O. 11 Memphis St. + F	28-9
O. 18 Tennessee F	14-16
O. 25 Penn St. + F	17-19
N. 1 Mississippi St. F	44-28
N. 8 Louisiana St. α F	14-14
N. 15 Temple + F	
N. 29 Auburn α F	25-23

Coach: Ray Perkins • Colors: Crimson & White
Nickname: Crimson Tide • 1985 Record: W-9, L-2, T-1
% East Rutherford, NJ
α Birmingham, AL

ALABAMA STATE Montgomery, AL

S. 6 Jackson St. + *U	14-28
S. 13 Southern U.*U	14-35
S. 20 Alcorn St. U	14-30
S. 27 Tex. Southern U	24-14
O. 11 Ft. Valley St. + *F	5-24
O. 18 Albany St., Ga.*T	8-24
O. 25 Prairie View*F	17-10
N. 1 Alabama A&M α F	6-7
N. 8 Grambling*U	0-28
N. 15 Miss. Valley St. U	6-55
N. 27 Tuskegee + F	21-0

Coach: Jim Parker • Colors: Black & Gold
Nickname: Hornets • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8
α Birmingham, AL

ALCORN STATE Lorman, MS

S. 6 Stephen F. Austin + U	12-42
S. 13 Grambling α U	20-30
S. 20 Alabama St. + F	30-14
O. 4 South Carolina St. F	39-24
O. 11 Tex. Southern + F	36-13
O. 18 Florida A&M + %F	28-7
O. 25 Southern U. + U	23-13
N. 9 Miss. Valley St. #U	35-28
N. 15 Prairie View*F	41-7
N. 22 Jackson St. + U	20-31

Coach: Theo Danzy • Colors: Purple & Gold
Nickname: Braves • 1985 Record: W-7, L-3
α Shreveport, LA
% Miami, FL
Jackson, MS

ANGELO STATE San Angelo, TX

A30 New Mexico St.*U	
S. 6 Northern Ariz.*F	
S13 Tex. Southern.*F	21-6
S27 Sam Houston St.*U	14-24
O. 4 Central State (OK)*F	29-23
0.11 West Texas St.*U	10-12
0.18 Eastern N.M.*F	24-26
0.25 Abilene Christian F	35-18
N. 8 Howard Payne*F	48-7
N15 East Texas St. F	28-24
N22 Texas A&I.*U	20-23

Coach: Jerry Vandergrieff • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Rams • 1985 Record: W-7, L-4

APPALACHIAN STATE Boone, NC

A30 Western Caro.*F	27-14
S. 6 Wake Forest*U	21-24
S13 East Tenn. St.*F	20-3
S27 Citadel*F	14-3
O. 4 Davidson*F	
0.11 Tenn.-Chattanooga*F	25-0
0.18 James Madison F	36-0
0.25 Furman*F	7-21
N. 8 Marshall F	40-0
N15 Va. Military F	26-10
N22 N.C. A&T*F	

Coach: Sparky Woods • Colors: Black & Gold
 Nickname: Mountaineers • 1985 Record: W-8, L-3

ARIZONA Tucson, AZ

S. 6 Houston*F	
S13 Colorado St.*F	
S20 Oregon F	20-8
S27 Colorado F	13-14
0.11 UCLA U	19-24
0.18 Oregon St.*F	27-6
0.25 California*F	23-17
N. 1 Southern Cal.*F	
N. 8 Washington St.*F	12-7
N22 Arizona St.*U	16-13
N30 Stanford*U	17-28

Coach: Larry Smith • Colors: Cardinal & Navy
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1985 Record: W-8, L-3, T-1
 (a) Tokyo, Japan

ARIZONA STATE Tempe, AZ

S13 Michigan St.*F	3-12
S20 Southern Meth.*F	
S27 Washington St.*F	21-16
O. 4 UCLA U	17-40
0.11 Oregon F	
0.18 Southern Cal. F	24-0
0.25 Utah*F	34-27
N. 1 Washington*U	36-7
N. 8 California*F	30-8
N15 Wichita St.*F	
N22 Arizona*F	13-16

Coach: John Cooper • Colors: Maroon & Gold
 Nickname: Sun Devils • 1985 Record: W-8, L-4

ARKANSAS Fayetteville, AR

S13 Mississippi*U	24-19
S20 Tulsa*F	24-0
S27 New Mexico St.*U	45-13
O. 4 Texas Christian F	41-0
0.11 Texas Tech*F	30-7
0.18 Texas F	13-15
0.25 Houston*F	57-27
N. 1 Rice*F	30-15
N. 8 Baylor U	20-14
N15 Texas A&M*U	6-10
N22 Southern Meth. F	15-9

Coach: Ken Hatfield • Colors: Cardinal & White
 Nickname: Razorbacks • 1985 Record: W-10, L-2
 (a) Little Rock, AR

ARKANSAS STATE State University, AR

A30 Southern Ill.*F	41-12
S. 6 NW Louisiana*F	12-10
S13 Memphis St.*U	
S20 Mississippi*U	16-18
S27 East Texas St.*F	
0.11 Mississippi St.*U	14-22
0.18 Louisiana Tech*F	31-13
0.25 McNeese St.*F	13-15
N. 15 North Texas St. F	56-0
N. 8 Lamar*F	21-0
N22 NE Louisiana*F	31-23

Coach: Larry Lacowell • Colors: Scarlet & Black
 Nickname: Indians • 1985 Record: W-9, L-4

ARMY West Point, NY

S13 Syracuse*U	
S20 Northwestern F	
S27 Wake Forest*F	
O. 4 Yale F	59-16
0.11 Tennessee U	
0.18 Holy Cross*F	34-12
0.25 Rutgers*U	20-16
N. 1 Boston Col.*U	45-14
N. 8 Air Force*U	7-45
N15 Lafayette*F	
N22 Texas A&I.*U	7-17

Coach: Jim Young • Colors: Black, Gold, Gray
 Nickname: Cadets, Black Knights • 1985 Record:
 W-9, L-3
 (a) East Rutherford, NJ
 % Philadelphia, PA

AUBURN Auburn, AL

S. 6 Tenn.-Chattanooga*F	
S20 East Carolina*F	35-10
S27 Tennessee*F	20-38
O. 4 Western Caro.*F	
0.11 Vanderbilt*F	
0.18 Georgia Tech*F	17-14
0.25 Mississippi St.*F	21-9
N. 1 Florida F	10-14
N. 8 Cincinnati*F	
N15 Georgia*U	24-10
N29 Alabama*U	23-25

Coach: Pat Dye • Colors: Burnt Orange & Navy Blue
 Nickname: Tigers • 1985 Record: W-8, L-4
 (a) Birmingham, AL

AUGUSTANA Sioux Falls, SD

S. 4 Sioux Falls*F	
S13 Wayne State*F	
S20 St. Cloud St. U	0-10
S27 Northern Colo.*U	19-28
O. 4 South Dakota U	24-42
0.11 North Dakota*U	18-41
0.18 Nebraska-Omaha*U	23-20
0.25 South Dakota St.*U	19-31
N. 1 Morrisville U	44-51
N. 8 North Dakota St. U	0-25
N15 Mankato St.*U	27-35

Coach: Jim Heintz • Colors: Blue & Old Gold
 Nickname: Vikings • 1985 Record: W-1, L-9

AUSTIN PEAY Clarksville, TN

S. 6 Southern Ill. U	
S13 Tenn.-Martin*F	13-7
S20 Kentucky St.*F	48-0
O. 4 Middle Tenn.*U	14-17
0.11 Morehead St.*F	14-10
0.18 Youngstown St.*F	14-35
0.25 Western Ky.*U	
N. 1 Eastern Ky.*U	10-20
N. 8 Akron U	14-17
N15 Tenn. Tech F	24-20
N22 Murray St.*U	6-14

Coach: Emory Hale • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Governors • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

BALL STATE Muncie, IN

A30 Northern Ill.*F	29-0
S. 6 Miami, O. U	13-17
S13 Purdue U	18-37
S27 Toledo*F	23-19
O. 4 Indiana St.*U	29-27
0.11 Ohio*F	36-23
0.18 Kent State*F	16-45
0.25 Western Mich.*U	0-34
N. 1 Eastern Mich.*F	24-27
N. 8 Bowling Green U	6-31
N15 Central Mich. U	9-23

Coach: Paul Schudel • Colors: Cardinal & White
 Nickname: Cardinals • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7
 (a) Indianapolis

BAYLOR Waco, TX

S. 6 Wyoming F	39-18
S13 Louisiana Tech*F	
S20 Southern Cal.*F	20-13
S27 Texas Tech F	31-0
O. 4 Houston*F	24-21
0.11 Southern Meth.*F	21-14
0.18 Texas A&M U	20-15
0.25 Texas Christian F	45-0
N. 8 Arkansas*F	14-20
N15 Rice F	34-10
N22 Texas*F	10-17

Coach: Grant Teaff • Colors: Green & Gold
 Nickname: Bears • 1985 Record: W-9, L-3

BETHUNE-COOKMAN

Daytona Beach, FL

S. 6 Central Florida*U	37-39
S13 Morgan St.*F	
S20 Howard F	23-14
S27 Grambling*U	
0.11 Ga. Southern U	24-46
0.18 Delaware St.*U	7-51
0.25 South Carolina St.*F	45-36
N. 1 N.C. A&T U	20-14
N. 8 Tennessee St.*U	17-24
N15 Morris Brown*F	20-0
N29 Florida A&M*F	31-27

Coach: Larry Little • Colors: Maroon & Gold
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1985 Record: W-6, L-4
 (a) Orlando, FL
 # Jacksonville, FL
 % Miami, FL

BOISE STATE Boise, ID

S. 6 Eastern Wash. U	
S13 Humboldt St.*F	
S27 Idaho St.*F	29-15
O. 4 Montana St. F	58-21
0.11 Montana*F	28-3
0.18 Weber St.*F	24-21
0.25 Oregon St. U	
N. 1 Northern Ariz. F	24-10
N. 8 Nevada-Reno*U	10-37
N15 NW Louisiana*F	
N22 Idaho*F	27-44

Coach: Lyle Seleneich • Colors: Orange & Blue
 Nickname: Broncos • 1985 Record: W-7, L-4

BOSTON COLLEGE Chestnut Hill, MA

S. 6 Rutgers*F	20-10
S13 California*F	
S20 Penn State*U	12-16
O. 4 Southern Meth.*U	
0.11 Maryland F	13-31
0.18 Louisville*F	
0.25 West Virginia U	6-13
N. 1 Army F	14-45
N. 8 Temple F	28-25
N15 Syracuse*U	21-41
N22 Holy Cross F	38-7

Coach: Jack Bicknell • Colors: Maroon & Gold
 Nickname: Eagles • 1985 Record: W-4, L-8

BOSTON UNIVERSITY Boston, MA

S. 6 Delaware St.*F	
S13 Wake Forest*U	0-30
S20 New Hampshire U	13-27
S27 Maine*U	19-14
O. 4 Richmond U	24-13
0.18 Rhode Island U	19-34
0.25 Massachusetts*U	14-17
N. 1 Connecticut F	3-24
N. 8 Western Ky. U	
N15 Colgate*U	37-48
N22 Delaware*U	0-21

Coach: Steve Stetson • Colors: Scarlet & White
 Nickname: Terriers • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

BOWLING GREEN Bowling Green, OH

S. 6 Ohio*F	38-17
S13 Minnesota*U	
S20 Central Mich. F	23-18
S27 Miami, O. U	28-24
O. 4 Western Mich.*F	48-7
0.11 Eastern Mich.*F	42-24
0.18 Washington U	
0.25 Kent State F	26-14
N. 1 Northern Ill.*F	34-14
N. 8 Ball State*F	31-6
N15 Toledo F	21-0

Coach: Moe Ankrney • Colors: Orange & Brown
 Nickname: Falcons • 1985 Record: W-11, L-1

BRIGHAM YOUNG Provo, UT

S. 6 Utah State*F	44-0
S13 New Mexico*F	45-23
S20 Washington U	31-3
S27 Temple*F	26-24
O. 3 Colorado St.*F	42-7
0.18 Wyoming F	59-0
0.25 Texas-El Paso*F	16-23
N. 8 Hawaii*F	26-6
N15 Oregon St.*F	
N22 Utah F	38-28
N29 San Diego St.*F	28-0
D. 6 Air Force F	28-21

Coach: LaVell Edwards • Colors: Royal Blue & White
 Nickname: Cougars • 1985 Record: W-11, L-3

BROWN Providence, RI

S20 Yale*U	9-10
S27 Rhode Island F	32-27
O. 4 Princeton F	17-0
0.11 Pennsylvania*U	14-17
0.18 Cornell U	22-0
0.25 Holy Cross*U	20-20
N. 1 Harvard U	17-25
N. 8 Colgate*U	
N15 Dartmouth*F	22-0
N22 Columbia F	34-0

Coach: John Rosenberg • Colors: Brown, Cardinal & White • Nickname: Bruins, Bears
 1985 Record: W-5, L-4, T-1

BUCKNELL Lewisburg, PA

S13 Indiana, PA*F	
S20 William & Mary*F	
S27 Pennsylvania U	
O. 4 Towson St.*U	
0.11 Davidson F	34-14
0.18 Colgate*U	
0.25 Lafayette*U	0-47
N. 1 Cornell U	13-26
N. 8 Holy Cross U	
N15 Lehigh U	0-19

Coach: George Landis • Colors: Orange & Blue
 Nickname: Bison • 1985 Record: W-3, L-7

CALIFORNIA Berkeley, CA

S13 Boston Col. U	
S20 Washington St.*F	19-20
S27 San Jose St.*F	48-21
O. 4 Washington U	12-28
0.11 Oregon St.*F	20-23
0.18 UCLA*U	7-34
0.25 Arizona*U	17-23
N. 1 Oregon*F	27-24
N. 8 Arizona St.*U	8-30
N15 Southern Cal. U	14-6
N22 Stanford*U	22-24

Coach: Joe Kapp • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Golden Bears • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

CAL-DAVIS Davis, CA

S20 Cal Poly SLO*F	34-21
S27 Santa Clara*F	46-25
O. 4 Pacific, Cal. U	
0.11 Chico St.*F	27-8
0.18 San Francisco St. F	65-12
0.25 Hayward St. F	34-6
N. 1 Sonoma St.*F	38-9
N. 8 Northridge St.*F	41-22
N15 Sacramento St.*F	37-30
N22 Humboldt St. F	45-14

Coach: Jim Sochor • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Cal Aggies • 1985 Record: W-9, L-1

CAL LUTHERAN Thousand Oaks, CA

S13 San Francisco St.*F	28-24
S20 Sonoma St.*F	28-7
S27 Hayward St. F	15-37
O. 4 Cal Poly SLO*U	29-24
0.11 Northridge St.*U	23-27
0.18 Santa Clara*U	23-51
0.25 Portland St.*U	20-27
N. 1 Sacramento St.*U	7-38
N. 8 Southern Utah F	
N15 Azusa-Pacific*F	30-27
N22 St. Mary's F	24-3

Coach: Bob Shoup • Colors: Violet & Gold
 Nickname: Kingsmen • 1985 Record: W-6, L-5

CAL POLY San Luis Obispo, CA

S13 Chico St.*F	
S20 Cal-Davis*U	21-34
O. 4 Cal Lutheran*F	24-29
0.11 Hayward St.*U	17-28
0.18 Northridge St.*F	34-21
0.25 Central Conn.*F	
N. 1 Portland St.*F	34-21
N. 8 Sacramento St.*U	27-28
N15 Southern Utah*F	
N22 Santa Clara U	6-12

Coach: Jim Sanderson • Colors: Green & Gold
 Nickname: Mustangs • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

CENTRAL MICHIGAN Mt. Pleasant, MI

S. 13 Idaho + U	
S. 20 Bowling Green + U	18-23
S. 27 Ohio + F	13-7
O. 4 Kent State F	21-17
O. 11 Western Mich. + F	24-17
O. 18 Tulsa* U	
O. 25 Eastern Mich. + F	17-10
N. 1 Miami, O. U.	14-19
N. 8 Toledo F	7-10
N. 15 Ball State + F	23-9

Coach: Herb Deromedi • Colors: Maroon & Gold
 Nickname: Chippewas • 1985 Record: W-7, L-3

CHICO STATE Chico, CA

S. 6 Idaho St.* U	
S. 13 Cal Poly SLO* U	
S. 20 Santa Clara +* U	18-44
S. 27 St. Mary's, Cal. +* F	26-19
O. 4 Sacramento St.* + U	14-16
O. 11 Cal.-Davis U	8-27
O. 25 Humboldt St. F	41-13
N. 8 San Francisco St. F	34-7
N. 15 Hayward St. + U	31-31
N. 22 Sonoma St. + F	27-16

Coach: Mike Bellotti • Colors: Cardinal & White
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1985 Record: W-4, L-4, T-1

CINCINNATI Cincinnati, OH

S. 6 Virginia Tech* T	31-14
S. 13 Miami, O. + F	10-16
S. 20 Rutgers U	
S. 27 Kentucky + U	7-27
O. 4 Louisville +* F	31-9
O. 11 Penn State U	10-31
O. 18 Miami, Fla. +* U	0-38
O. 25 Wichita St. F	
N. 1 Indiana St. + F	
N. 8 Auburn U	
N. 15 East Carolina F	

Coach: Dave Currey • Colors: Red & Black
 Nickname: Bearcats • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

CITADEL Charleston, SC

S. 6 North Carolina U	
S. 13 Northeastern +* F	
S. 20 Presbyterian +* F	14-7
S. 27 Appalachian St. U	3-14
O. 4 Clemson U	
O. 11 Va. Military + F	14-14
O. 18 Tenn.-Chattanooga +* F	17-34
N. 1 Western Caro. F	10-3
N. 8 Wofford + F	42-28
N. 15 East Tenn. St. + F	28-21
N. 22 Furman F	0-42

Coach: Tom Moore • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1985 Record: W-5, L-5, T-1

CLEMSON Clemson, SC

S. 13 Virginia Tech + F	20-17
S. 20 Georgia U	13-20
S. 27 Georgia Tech F	3-14
O. 4 Citadel + F	
O. 11 Virginia* F	27-24
O. 18 Duke + F	21-9
O. 25 North Carolina St. F	39-10
N. 1 Wake Forest F	26-10
N. 8 North Carolina + F	20-21
N. 15 Maryland @ F	31-34
N. 22 South Carolina + F	24-17
@ Baltimore, Md.	

Coach: Danny Ford • Colors: Purple & Orange
 Nickname: Tigers • 1985 Record: W-6, L-6

COAST GUARD New London, CT

S. 6 Western Conn. +* U	8-35
S. 13 PRI + F	22-9
S. 20 WPI T	19-16
S. 27 Norwich U	7-24
O. 4 Wesleyan + F	28-30
O. 18 Union, N.Y. U	24-49
O. 25 Trinity, Conn. + U	27-34
N. 1 Merchant Marine U	14-42
N. 18 Marist F	17-13

Coach: Tom Bell • Colors: Blue, White & Orange
 Nickname: Cadets, Bears
 1985 Record: W-4, L-6

COLGATE Hamilton, NY

S. 6 William & Mary U	
S. 20 Lehigh F	32-14
S. 27 Cornell + F	21-20
O. 4 Holy Cross + F	21-24
O. 11 Yale F	
O. 18 Bucknell F	
O. 25 Columbia F	55-11
N. 1 Lafayette + F	30-14
N. 8 Brown F	
N. 15 Boston U. F	48-37
N. 22 New Hampshire F	

Coach: Fred Dunlap • Colors: Maroon
 Nickname: Red Raiders • 1985 Record: W-7, L-3, T-1

COLORADO Boulder, CO

S. 6 Colorado St. + F	23-10
S. 13 Oregon F	21-17
S. 20 Ohio State U	13-36
S. 27 Arizona + U	14-13
O. 11 Missouri F	38-7
O. 18 Iowa State + F	40-6
O. 25 Nebraska + U	7-17
N. 1 Oklahoma St. F	11-14
N. 8 Kansas + F	14-3
N. 15 Oklahoma + U	0-31
N. 22 Kansas St. F	30-0

Coach: Bill McCartney • Colors: Silver, Gold & Black
 Nickname: Buffalos • 1985 Record: W-7, L-5

COLORADO STATE Fort Collins, CO

S. 6 Colorado U	10-23
S. 13 Arizona* U	
S. 20 Northern Colo. + F	
S. 27 Air Force U	19-35
O. 3 Brigham Young* U	7-42
O. 18 Hawaii + U	14-34
O. 25 Wyoming + F	30-19
N. 1 San Diego St. + F	23-48
N. 8 Utah U	21-19
N. 15 New Mexico + F	45-28
N. 22 Texas-El Paso* F	41-24

Coach: Leon Fuller • Colors: Green & Gold
 Nickname: Rams • 1985 Record: W-5, L-7

COLUMBIA New York, NY

S. 20 Harvard U	17-49
S. 27 Lafayette + U	0-20
O. 4 Pennsylvania U	14-46
O. 11 Princeton + U	0-31
O. 18 Yale U	112-28
O. 25 Colgate + U	11-55
N. 1 Villanova + F	
N. 8 Dartmouth U	3-34
N. 15 Cornell + U	8-21
N. 22 Brown + U	0-34

Coach: Larry McElreavy • Colors: Columbia Blue & White
 Nickname: Lions • 1985 Record: W-0, L-10

CONNECTICUT Storrs, CT

S. 13 Central Conn. + F	
S. 20 Richmond + U	
S. 27 Yale U	
O. 4 New Hampshire U	8-10
O. 11 Delaware St. U	14-24
O. 18 Northeastern U	27-13
O. 25 Maine + U	3-28
N. 1 Boston U. + U	24-3
N. 8 Delaware U	
N. 15 Rhode Island + U	42-56
N. 22 Massachusetts U	7-21

Coach: Tom Jackson • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Huskies • 1985 Record: W-4, L-5

CORNELL Ithaca, NY

S. 20 Princeton + F	27-33
S. 27 Colgate U	20-21
O. 4 Lafayette U	3-17
O. 11 Harvard U	17-20
O. 18 Brown + F	0-22
O. 25 Dartmouth F	17-20
N. 1 Bucknell + F	26-13
N. 8 Yale + U	20-14
N. 15 Columbia F	21-8
N. 22 Pennsylvania + U	6-10

Coach: Maxie Baughan • Colors: Camelian & White
 Nickname: Big Red • 1985 Record: W-3, L-7

DARTMOUTH Hanover, NH

S. 20 Pennsylvania + U	14-19
S. 27 New Hampshire + U	7-23
O. 4 Navy U	
O. 11 Holy Cross U	14-17
O. 18 Harvard + U	7-17
O. 25 Cornell + U	20-17
N. 1 Yale U	17-17
N. 8 Columbia + F	34-3
N. 15 Brown U	0-22
N. 22 Princeton U	3-10

Coach: Joe Yukica • Colors: Dartmouth Green & White • Nickname: Big Green
 1985 Record: W-2, L-7, T-1

DAVIDSON Davidson, NC

S. 6 Lenoir Rhyne + F	
S. 13 Wofford + U	21-17
S. 20 East Tenn. St.* U	
O. 4 Appalachian St. U	
O. 11 Bucknell + U	14-34
O. 18 Lafayette + U	
O. 25 Marshall U	
N. 8 Furman U	7-58
N. 15 Calwaba F	28-35

Coach: Vic Gallo • Colors: Red & Black
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1985 Record: W-1, L-10

DAYTON Dayton, OH

S. 6 Butler +* T	14-27
S. 13 Wis.-Stevens Pt. + F	
S. 20 St. Norbert + F	
S. 27 Sanford + F	63-13
O. 4 Duquesne + F	
O. 11 DePauw F	31-35
O. 18 Mercyhurst U	6-19
O. 25 Frostburg St. + F	
N. 1 W.Va. Wesleyan F	
N. 8 Ferrum + F	

Coach: Mike Kelly • Colors: Red & Blue
 Nickname: Flyers • 1985 Record: W-7, L-3

DELAWARE Newark, DE

S. 6 Rhode Island + F	29-13
S. 13 New Hampshire + F	
S. 20 West Chester + F	37-22
S. 27 Richmond F	
O. 11 Massachusetts F	27-24
O. 18 William & Mary + U	16-17
O. 25 Lehigh + F	14-16
N. 1 Maine F	7-10
N. 8 Connecticut + F	
N. 15 Navy U	16-13
N. 22 Boston U. F	21-0

Coach: Harold Raymond • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Fightin' Blue Hens • 1985 Record: 7-4

DELAWARE STATE Dover, DE

A. 30 Southern U.* + F	46-8
S. 6 Boston U. F	
S. 20 Morgan St. F	35-0
O. 4 Jackson St. @ T	
O. 11 Connecticut + F	24-14
O. 18 Bethune-Cookman* F	51-7
O. 25 Towson St. + U	26-51
N. 1 South Carolina St. + F	38-20
N. 8 N.C. A&T F	30-16
N. 15 Northeastern + F	36-6
N. 22 Howard F	38-16
@ Philadelphia, PA	
% Shreveport, LA	

Coach: William Collick • Colors: Red & Blue
 Nickname: Hornets • 1985 Record: W-9, L-2

DUKE Durham, NC

S. 6 Northwestern F	40-17
S. 13 Georgia U	
S. 20 Ohio +* F	34-13
S. 27 Virginia +* U	14-37
O. 4 Vanderbilt* U	
O. 18 Clemson U	9-21
O. 25 Maryland + U	10-40
N. 1 Georgia Tech U	0-9
N. 8 Wake Forest + U	7-27
N. 15 North Carolina St. U	31-19
N. 22 North Carolina + U	23-21

Coach: Steve Sloan • Colors: Royal Blue & White
 Nickname: Blue Devils • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

EAST CAROLINA Greenville, NC

S. 6 North Carolina St.* U	33-14
S. 13 West Virginia* U	
S. 20 Auburn U	10-35
S. 27 Penn State U	10-17
O. 4 SW Louisiana + F	14-16
O. 11 Temple U	7-21
O. 18 Ga. Southern + U	
O. 25 South Carolina U	10-52
N. 1 Southern Miss. + U	0-27
N. 15 Cincinnati + U	
N. 27 Miami, Fla.* U	15-27

Coach: Art Baker • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Pirates • 1985 Record: W-2, L-9

EAST TENNESSEE STATE Johnson City, TN

S. 13 Appalachian St. U	3-20
S. 20 Davidson** F	
S. 27 Virginia Tech U	
O. 4 Furman** U	31-35
O. 11 Western Caro. U	3-13
O. 18 Marshall + U	21-34
O. 25 Tenn.-Chattanooga* U	0-12
N. 1 Wofford + F	
N. 8 James Madison U	9-14
N. 15 Citadel U	21-28
N. 22 Va. Military + U	19-23

Coach: Mike Ayers • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Buccaneers • 1985 Record: 0-10-1

EAST TEXAS STATE Commerce, TX

S. 4 Livingston +* F	
S. 20 Southern Ark. +* F	20-30
S. 27 Arkansas St.* U	
O. 4 Tennessee St.* U	
O. 11 SW Oklahoma F	
O. 18 Texas A&I + U	19-22
O. 25 West Texas St.* U	
N. 1 Eastern N.M. + U	51-38
N. 8 Abilene Christian U	9-30
N. 15 Angelo State + U	24-28
N. 22 Howard Payne U	21-0

Coach: Ernest Hawkins • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Lions • 1985 Record: W-5, L-5

EASTERN ILLINOIS Charleston, IL

A. 30 Illinois St.* F	21-14
S. 6 NE Missouri* F	24-31
S. 13 Northern Mich. F	27-12
S. 20 Southern Ill. +* F	13-42
O. 4 Liberty +* F	
O. 11 Northern Iowa + U	20-21
O. 18 Western Ill. F	20-34
O. 25 SW Missouri F	28-27
N. 1 Winona St. + F	
N. 8 Indiana St. F	39-7
N. 15 Western Ky. + U	14-13

Coach: Al Molde • Colors: Blue & Gray
 Nickname: Panthers • 1985 Record: W-6, L-5

EASTERN KENTUCKY Richmond, KY

S. 13 Tenn.-Chattanooga + U	
S. 20 Marshall* U	7-13
S. 27 Middle Tenn. + U	14-28
O. 4 Western Ky. F	51-21
O. 11 Murray St. F	20-27
O. 18 Central Florida + F	28-21
O. 25 Youngstown St. + F	36-29
N. 1 Austin Peay* F	20-10
N. 8 Tenn. Tech + F	35-17
N. 15 Akron F	16-6
N. 22 Morehead St. + F	26-0

Coach: Ray Kidd • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Colonels • 1985 Record: W-8, L-3

EASTERN MICHIGAN Ypsilanti, MI

S. 6 Western Mich. +* U	21-38
S. 13 Youngstown St.* U	27-22
S. 20 Akron +* U	12-16
S. 27 Kent State +* F	3-28
O. 4 Toledo* U	21-10
O. 11 Bowling Green U	24-42
O. 18 Ohio +* F	27-21
O. 25 Central Mich. + U	10-17
N. 1 Ball State +* U	27-24
N. 8 Northern Ill. U	0-3
N. 15 Miami, O. U	16-31

Coach: Jim Harkema • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Hurons • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

EASTERN WASHINGTON Cheney, WA

S. 6 Boise St. + F	
S. 13 Northern Ariz. *F	33-0
S. 27 Idaho + F	21-42
O. 4 Montana F	52-19
O. 11 Idaho St. *F	42-21
O. 25 Nevada-Reno U.	25-31
N. 1 Weber St. + F	31-19
N. 8 Long Beach St. *F	30-23
N. 15 Montana St. + F	28-23

Coach: Dick Torres • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Eagles • 1985 Record: W-9, L-3

FLORIDA Gainesville, FL

A. 30 Ga. Southern + F	
S. 6 Miami, Fla. + U	35-23
S. 20 Alabama + U	
S. 27 Mississippi St. *F	36-22
O. 4 Louisiana St. + U	20-0
O. 11 Kent State + F	
O. 18 Rutgers *F	28-28
N. 1 Auburn + U	14-10
N. 8 Georgia U.	3-24
N. 15 Kentucky F	15-13
N. 29 Florida St. *F	38-14
@ East Rutherford, NJ	
@ Jacksonville, FL	

Coach: Glen Hall • Colors: Orange & Blue
 Nickname: Gators • 1985 Record: W-9, L-1, T-1

FLORIDA A&M Tallahassee, FL

S. 6 Tuskegee + F	34-6
S. 13 Ga. Southern * @ U	21-27
S. 20 Temple U	
S. 27 Tennessee St. *U	0-12
O. 4 Albany St., Ga. + F	31-20
O. 11 Central St., Ohio *F	
O. 18 Alcorn St. * @ U	7-28
O. 26 South Carolina St. + F	
N. 1 Hampton + F	
N. 15 Southern U. *U	27-38
N. 29 Bethune-Cookman #U	27-31
@ Jacksonville, FL	
@ Indianapolis, IN	
# Miami, FL	

Coach: Ken Riley • Colors: Orange & Green
 Nickname: Rattlers • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

FLORIDA STATE Tallahassee, FL

A. 30 Toledo + F	
S. 6 Nebraska *U	17-13
S. 20 North Carolina *F	20-10
S. 27 Michigan U	
O. 11 Tulane + F	38-12
O. 18 Wichita St. + F	
O. 25 Louisville *F	
N. 1 Miami, Fla. U	27-35
N. 8 South Carolina F	56-14
N. 15 Southern Miss. + F	
N. 29 Florida + U	14-38

Coach: Bobby Bowden • Colors: Garnet & Gold
 Nickname: Seminoles • 1985 Record: W-9, L-3

FRESNO STATE Fresno, CA

S. 6 Montana St. + F	
S. 13 Oregon St. + F	33-24
S. 27 Louisiana Tech + F	
O. 4 San Jose St. F	37-17
O. 11 New Mexico St. + F	48-21
O. 18 Pacific, Cal. + F	43-37
O. 25 Long Beach St. *F	33-31
N. 1 Fullerton St. *F	42-7
N. 8 Nevada-Las Vegas *F	26-6
N. 15 Hawaii *F	24-24
N. 22 Utah State + F	38-19

Coach: Jim Sweeney • Colors: Cardinal & Blue
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1985 Record: W-11, L-0, T-1

FULLERTON, CAL STATE
Fullerton, CA

A. 30 Nevada-Reno U	3-30
S. 6 New Mexico St. *F	21-17
S. 13 Idaho St. + F	
S. 20 Idaho F	
S. 27 Nevada-Las Vegas *U	6-10
O. 4 Tulsa *F	
O. 11 Long Beach St. *F	38-27
O. 18 Utah State + F	32-30
O. 25 Hawaii *U	
N. 1 Fresno St. + U	7-42
N. 8 San Jose St. + F	20-18
N. 15 Pacific + F	43-37

Coach: Gene Murphy • Colors: Blue, Orange & White
 Nickname: Titans • 1985 Record: W-6, L-5

FURMAN Greenville, SC

S. 6 South Carolina St. *F	38-31
S. 13 Georgia Tech U	
S. 20 Va. Military F	
S. 27 Marshall *F	34-3
O. 4 East Tenn. St. *F	35-31
O. 18 Western Caro. + U	31-27
O. 25 Appalachian St. *U	21-7
N. 1 Presbyterian + F	38-31
N. 8 Davidson + F	58-7
N. 15 Tenn.-Chattanooga *F	28-0
N. 22 Citadel + U	42-0

Coach: Jimmy Satterfield • Colors: Purple & White
 Nickname: Paladins • 1985 Record: W-12, L-2

GEORGIA Athens, GA

S. 13 Duke + F	
S. 20 Clemson + F	20-13
S. 27 South Carolina *F	35-21
O. 4 Mississippi + F	49-21
O. 11 Louisiana St. *U	
O. 18 Vanderbilt + F	13-13
O. 25 Kentucky *F	26-6
N. 1 Richmond + F	24-3
N. 8 Florida @ + F	24-3
N. 15 Auburn F	10-24
N. 29 Georgia Tech + F	16-20
@ Jacksonville, FL	

Coach: Vince Dooley • Colors: Red & Black
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1985 Record: W-7, L-3, T-2

GEORGIA SOUTHERN Statesboro, GA

A. 30 Florida U	
S. 13 Florida A&M * @ F	27-21
S. 20 Middle Tenn. *F	10-35
S. 27 Tenn.-Chattanooga + F	19-14
O. 4 Tenn. Tech *F	34-0
O. 11 Bethune-Cookman + F	46-24
O. 18 East Carolina *F	
N. 1 Western Ky. U	
N. 8 Central Florida *F	35-18
N. 15 James Madison + F	6-21
N. 22 South Carolina St. + F	43-30
@ Jacksonville, FL	

Coach: Erskine Russell • Colors: Royal Blue and White
 Nickname: Eagles • 1985 Record: 12-2

GEORGIA TECH Atlanta, GA

S. 13 Furman + F	
S. 20 Virginia *U	13-24
S. 27 Clemson + U	14-3
O. 4 North Carolina U	31-0
O. 11 South Carolina St. + F	28-18
O. 18 Auburn U	14-17
O. 25 Tennessee + U	6-6
N. 1 Duke + F	9-0
N. 8 Va. Military + F	
N. 22 Wake Forest F	41-10
N. 29 Georgia U	20-16

Coach: Bill Curry • Colors: Old Gold & White
 Nickname: Yellow Jackets
 1985 Record: W-9, L-2, T-1

GRAMBLING Grambling, LA

S. 13 Alcorn St. *F	30-20
S. 20 N.C. Central @ F	45-14
S. 27 Bethune-Cookman + #F	
O. 4 Prairie View *F	27-7
O. 11 Tennessee St. *F	31-24
O. 18 Miss. Valley St. F	31-21
O. 25 Jackson St. + U	26-35
N. 1 Tex. Southern *F	30-6
N. 8 Alabama St. + F	28-0
N. 15 South Carolina St. F	10-13
N. 29 Southern U. SF	29-12

\$ New Orleans, LA
 % Shreveport, LA
 @ New York, NY
 # Jacksonville, FL

Coach: Eddie Robinson • Colors: Black & Gold
 Nickname: Tigers • 1985 Record: W-9, L-2

HARVARD Cambridge, MA

S. 20 Columbia + F	49-17
S. 27 Holy Cross + U	28-20
O. 4 William & Mary U	14-21
O. 11 Cornell + F	20-17
O. 18 Dartmouth F	17-7
O. 25 Princeton F	6-11
N. 1 Brown + F	25-17
N. 8 Massachusetts + F	10-3
N. 15 Pennsylvania U	17-6
N. 22 Yale + U	6-17

Coach: Joseph Restic • Colors: Crimson
 Nickname: Crimson • 1985 Record: W-7, L-3

HAWAII Honolulu, HI

A. 30 Air Force U	20-27
S. 6 Wisconsin + U	
S. 20 Texas-El Paso + F	23-7
O. 4 New Mexico + F	27-17
O. 18 Colorado St. F	34-14
O. 25 Fullerton St. + F	
N. 1 Utah U	27-29
N. 8 Brigham Young + U	6-26
N. 15 Fresno St. + U	24-24
N. 22 San Diego St. *F	10-10
N. 29 Wyoming + F	26-18
D. 6 Michigan + U	

Coach: Dick Torney • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Rainbow Warriors
 1985 Record: W-4, L-6, T-2

HAYWARD, CAL. ST. Hayward, CA

S. 13 St. Mary's, Cal. + F	38-17
S. 20 Northridge + F	25-20
S. 27 Cal Lutheran + F	37-15
O. 4 Santa Clara + U	6-10
O. 11 Cal Poly SLO *F	28-17
O. 18 Sonoma St. F	50-6
O. 25 Cal.-Davis + U	6-34
N. 1 Humboldt St. *F	37-21
N. 15 Chico St. F	31-31
N. 22 San Francisco St. + F	24-34

Coach: Tim Tierney • Colors: Red, Black & White
 Nickname: Pioneers • 1985 Record: W-6, L-3, T-1

HOLY CROSS Worcester, MA

S. 13 Lehigh + F	
S. 20 Lafayette F	
S. 27 Harvard F	20-28
O. 4 Colgate U	24-21
O. 11 Dartmouth + F	17-14
O. 18 Army U	12-34
O. 25 Brown F	20-20
N. 1 Massachusetts + F	3-27
N. 8 Bucknell + F	
N. 15 William & Mary F	
N. 22 Boston College + F	7-38

Coach: Mark Duffner • Colors: Royal Purple
 Nickname: Crusaders • 1985 Record: W-4, L-6, T-1

HOUSTON Houston, TX

S. 6 Arizona *U	
S. 20 Oklahoma St. *U	
S. 27 Tulsa + F	24-31
O. 4 Baylor *U	21-24
O. 11 Texas A&M + U	16-43
O. 18 Southern Meth. U	13-37
O. 25 Arkansas + U	27-57
N. 1 Texas Christian + U	26-21
N. 8 Texas U	24-34
N. 22 Texas Tech U	17-16
N. 29 Rice + F	24-20

Coach: Bill Yeaman • Colors: Cougar Red & White
 Nickname: Cougars • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

HOWARD Washington, DC

S. 6 Maine + U	12-35
S. 13 Hampton F	
S. 20 Bethune-Cookman + U	14-23
S. 27 South Carolina St. F	21-27
O. 11 Winston-Salem + F	7-12
O. 18 Virginia St. F	17-7
O. 25 N.C. A&T + U	14-40
N. 1 Norfolk St. F	28-21
N. 8 Morehouse F	35-26
N. 15 Morgan St. + F	7-3
N. 22 Delaware St. + U	16-38

Coach: Willie Jeffries • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Bison • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

HOWARD PAYNE Brownwood, TX

S. 13 Tarleton St. *F	20-9
S. 20 Tex. Lutheran *F	26-8
S. 27 Central St., Okla. U	3-10
O. 4 SW Oklahoma *U	7-7
O. 11 Texas A&I *U	0-45
O. 18 West Texas St. + U	
O. 25 Eastern N.M. *U	18-24
N. 1 Abilene Christian + U	0-30
N. 8 Angelo St. *U	7-48
N. 22 East Texas St. + U	0-21

Coach: Jerry Millsaps • Colors: Gold & Blue
 Nickname: Yellow Jackets
 1985 Record: W-2, L-6, T-2

HUMBOLDT STATE Arcata, CA

S. 13 Boise St. *U	
S. 20 Cal.-Santa Barbara + F	
S. 27 Sacramento St. + *U	30-39
O. 4 Portland St. *U	
O. 11 Menlo F	
O. 18 St. Mary's, Cal. U	20-28
O. 25 Chico St. + U	13-41
N. 1 Hayward St. + U	21-37
N. 8 Sonoma St. U	7-25
N. 15 San Francisco St. F	28-14
N. 22 Cal.-Davis + U	14-45

Coach: Mike Dolby • Colors: Green & Gold
 Nickname: Lumberjacks • 1985 Record: W-1, L-8

IDAHO Moscow, ID

S. 6 Portland St. + F	51-17
S. 13 Central Mich. F	
S. 20 Fullerton St. + U	
S. 27 Eastern Wash. U	42-21
O. 4 Idaho St. + F	37-38
O. 18 Nevada-Reno U	25-21
O. 25 Northern Ariz. + F	27-3
N. 1 Montana F	38-0
N. 8 Montana St. + F	34-0
N. 15 Weber St. + F	31-28
N. 22 Boise St. U	44-27

Coach: Keith Gilbertson • Colors: Silver & Gold
 Nickname: Vandals • 1985 Record: W-9, L-2

IDAHO STATE Pocatello, ID

S. 6 Chico St. + F	
S. 13 Fullerton St. *U	
S. 20 Montana St. F	50-9
S. 27 Boise St. + U	15-29
O. 4 Idaho *U	38-37
O. 11 Eastern Wash. + U	21-42
O. 18 Montana F	29-35
O. 25 Weber St. F	45-46
N. 1 Nevada-Reno + U	14-42
N. 8 Northern Ariz. *F	34-3
N. 15 Montana + F	

Coach: Jim Koetter • Colors: Orange & Black
 Nickname: Bengals • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

ILLINOIS Champaign, IL

S. 6 Louisville + F	
S. 13 Southern Cal. U	10-20
S. 20 Nebraska + U	25-52
O. 4 Ohio State U	31-28
O. 11 Purdue + F	24-30
O. 18 Michigan St. + U	30-17
O. 25 Wisconsin F	38-25
N. 1 Michigan U	3-3
N. 8 Iowa + U	0-59
N. 15 Indiana F	41-24
N. 22 Northwestern + F	45-20

Coach: Mike White • Colors: Orange & Blue
 Nickname: Fighting Illini • 1985 Record: 6-5-1

ILLINOIS STATE Normal, IL

A. 30 Eastern Ill. + U	14-21
S. 6 SW Missouri + F	17-17
S. 20 Wayne St., Mich. + F	17-2
S. 27 Oklahoma St. *U	
O. 4 Western Ill. F	18-6
O. 18 Indiana St. F	24-21
O. 25 Southern Ill. + F	0-21
N. 8 Wichita St. F	26-0
N. 15 NW Missouri + F	
N. 22 Northern Iowa *U	3-15

Coach: Bob Otolski • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Redbirds • 1985 Record: W-6, L-3, T-2

INDIANA Bloomington, IN

S. 13 Louisville + F	41-28
S. 20 Navy + F	38-35
S. 27 Missouri F	36-17
O. 4 Northwestern F	26-7
O. 11 Ohio State + U	7-48
O. 18 Minnesota *U	7-22
O. 25 Michigan + U	15-42
N. 1 Wisconsin + U	20-31
N. 8 Michigan St. U	16-35
N. 15 Illinois + U	24-41
N. 22 Purdue F	21-34

Coach: Bill Mallory • Colors: Cream & Crimson
 Nickname: Fighting Hoosiers
 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

INDIANA STATE Terre Haute, IN

S. 6 St. Cloud St. *F	38-14
S. 13 SW Missouri *F	
S. 20 Iowa State U.	
S. 27 Kansas U.	10-37
O. 4 Ball State *F	27-29
O. 11 Southern Ill. F	41-38
O. 18 Illinois St. *U	21-24
O. 25 Buffalo State *F	
N. 1 Cincinnati U.	
N. 8 Eastern Ill. *U	7-39
N. 15 Northern Iowa *U	7-24
@ Indianapolis, IN	

Coach: Dennis Rantz • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Sycamores • 1985 Record: W-4, L-6

IOWA Iowa City, IA

S. 13 Iowa State *F	57-3
S. 20 Northern Ill. *F	48-20
S. 27 Texas-El Paso *F	
O. 4 Michigan St. U.	35-31
O. 11 Wisconsin *F	23-13
O. 18 Michigan U.	12-10
O. 25 Northwestern *F	49-10
N. 1 Ohio State *U	13-22
N. 8 Illinois F	59-0
N. 15 Purdue *F	27-24
N. 22 Minnesota *F	31-9

Coach: Hayden Fry • Colors: Old Gold & Black
 Nickname: Hawkeyes • 1985 Record: W-10, L-2

IOWA STATE Ames, IA

S. 13 Iowa U.	3-57
S. 20 Indiana St. *F	
S. 27 Wichita St. *F	
O. 4 Wyoming *U	
O. 11 Kansas F	22-21
O. 18 Colorado U.	6-40
O. 25 Oklahoma *U	14-59
N. 1 Missouri U.	27-28
N. 8 Nebraska *U	0-49
N. 15 Kansas St. *F	21-14
N. 22 Oklahoma St. U.	15-10

Coach: Jim Criner • Colors: Cardinal & Gold
 Nickname: Cyclones • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

JACKSON STATE Jackson, MS

A. 30 N.C. Central *F	
S. 6 Alabama St. *F	28-14
S. 13 Tennessee St. *F	31-44
S. 20 Prairie View *F	21-3
S. 27 Miss. Valley St. *F	14-35
O. 4 Delaware St. *F	
O. 11 SW Missouri *F	
O. 18 Southern U. *F	27-9
O. 25 Grambling F	35-26
N. 8 Tex. Southern *F	28-7
N. 22 Alcorn St. F	31-20
@ Philadelphia, PA	

Coach: W.C. Gordon • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Tigers • 1985 Record: W-8, L-2

JAMES MADISON Harrisonburg, VA

S. 6 Massachusetts *U	
S. 13 Morehead St. *F	35-14
S. 20 Liberty F	3-9
S. 27 Va. Military *T	7-14
O. 4 St. Paul's *F	
O. 18 Appalachian St. *U	0-36
O. 25 William & Mary *F	14-31
N. 1 Northeastern F	
N. 8 East Tenn. St. *F	14-9
N. 15 Ga. Southern U.	21-6
N. 22 Towson St. F	13-0

Coach: Joe Purzycki • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Dukes • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

KANSAS Lawrence, KS

S. 13 North Carolina *U	
S. 20 Utah State *F	
S. 27 Indiana St. *F	37-10
O. 4 Southern Ill. *F	
O. 11 Iowa State *U	21-22
O. 18 Kansas St. F	38-7
O. 25 Oklahoma St. *U	10-17
N. 1 Oklahoma *U	6-48
N. 8 Colorado U.	3-14
N. 15 Nebraska *U	6-56
N. 22 Missouri U.	34-20

Coach: Bob Valesente • Colors: Crimson & Blue
 Nickname: Jayhawks • 1985 Record: W-6, L-6

KANSAS STATE Manhattan, KS

A. 30 Western Ill. *F	
S. 6 Texas Tech *U	
S. 13 Northern Iowa *F	6-10
S. 20 Texas Christian *U	22-24
O. 4 Oklahoma U.	6-41
O. 18 Kansas *U	7-38
O. 25 Missouri *U	20-17
N. 1 Nebraska U.	3-41
N. 8 Oklahoma St. *U	3-35
N. 15 Iowa State U.	14-21
N. 22 Colorado *U	0-30

Coach: Stan Parrish • Colors: Purple & White
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1985 Record: W-1, L-10

KENT STATE Kent, OH

S. 6 Toledo *U	7-10
S. 13 Akron *U	0-24
S. 20 Kentucky U.	
S. 27 Eastern Mich. *U	28-3
O. 4 Central Mich. *U	17-21
O. 11 Florida U.	
O. 18 Ball State U.	45-16
O. 25 Bowling Green *U	14-26
N. 1 Ohio U.	23-33
N. 8 Miami, O. *U	24-52
N. 15 Western Mich. U.	3-34

Coach: Glen Mason • Colors: Navy Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Golden Flashes • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

KENTUCKY Lexington, KY

S. 13 Rutgers *F	
S. 20 Kent State *F	
S. 27 Cincinnati F	27-7
O. 4 Southern Miss. *F	
O. 11 Mississippi @ F	
O. 18 Louisiana St. *U	0-10
O. 25 Georgia *U	6-26
N. 1 Virginia Tech F	
N. 8 Vanderbilt *F	24-31
N. 15 Florida *U	13-15
N. 22 Tennessee U.	0-42
@ Jackson, MS	

Coach: Jerry Claiborne • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

LAFAYETTE Easton, PA

S. 13 Kutztown *F	23-7
S. 20 Holy Cross *U	
S. 27 Columbia F	20-0
O. 4 Cornell *F	17-3
O. 11 New Hampshire *F	20-7
O. 18 Davidson F	
O. 25 Bucknell F	47-0
N. 1 Colgate U.	14-30
N. 8 Pennsylvania U.	
N. 15 Army U.	
N. 22 Lehigh *U	19-24

Coach: Bill Russo • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Leopards • 1985 Record: W-6, L-5

LAMAR Beaumont, TX

S. 6 Rice *U	28-29
S. 20 Sam Houston St. *U	22-34
S. 27 Stephen F. Austin *U	
O. 4 Texas A&I *T	
O. 11 NE Louisiana *U	14-37
O. 18 SW Texas *F	24-21
O. 25 North Texas St. *U	0-20
N. 1 Louisiana Tech *U	22-23
N. 15 Arkansas St. U.	0-21
N. 22 McNeese St. *U	7-28

Coach: Ray Albarn • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Cardinals • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

LEHIGH Bethlehem, PA

S. 13 Holy Cross U.	
S. 20 Colgate *U	14-32
S. 27 Navy U.	
O. 4 Northeastern *U	
O. 11 William & Mary *T	29-31
O. 18 Princeton *F	34-13
O. 25 Delaware U.	16-14
N. 1 Towson St. F	
N. 8 West Chester *F	17-20
N. 15 Bucknell *F	19-0
N. 22 Lafayette F	24-19

Coach: Hank Small • Colors: Brown & White
 Nickname: Engineers • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

LONG BEACH STATE Long Beach, CA

S. 6 San Diego St. *U	14-34
S. 20 Western Mich. F	
S. 27 UCLA *U	
O. 11 Fullerton St. *U	27-38
O. 18 New Mexico St. *F	38-17
O. 25 Fresno St. *U	31-33
N. 1 Utah State F	17-19
N. 8 Eastern Wash. *U	23-30
N. 15 San Jose St. *F	37-22
N. 22 Nevada-Las Vegas *U	28-24
N. 29 Pacific *F	20-7

Coach: Mike Sheppard • Colors: Brown & Gold
 Nickname: Forty-Niners • 1985 Record: W-6, L-6

LOUISIANA STATE Baton Rouge, LA

S. 13 Texas A&M *U	
S. 20 Miami, O. *F	
O. 4 Florida F	0-20
O. 11 Georgia *F	
O. 18 Kentucky *F	10-0
O. 25 North Carolina *F	23-13
N. 1 Mississippi *F	14-0
N. 8 Alabama @ U	14-14
N. 15 Mississippi St. *F	17-15
N. 22 Notre Dame *F	10-7
N. 29 Tulane *F	31-19
@ Birmingham, AL	
@ Jackson, MS	

Coach: Bill Amsparger • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Fighting Tigers
 1985 Record: 9-2-1

LOUISIANA TECH Ruston, LA

A. 30 Tulsa *F	
S. 13 Baylor *U	
S. 20 West Texas St. *F	20-10
S. 27 Fresno St. *U	
O. 4 North Texas St. *F	33-8
O. 11 McNeese St. *F	35-3
O. 18 Arkansas St. *U	13-31
O. 25 NW Louisiana *F	33-17
N. 1 Lamar *F	23-22
N. 8 NE Louisiana *F	9-13
N. 22 SW Louisiana *U	24-23
@ Shreveport, LA	

Coach: A. L. Williams • Colors: Red & Blue
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1985 Record: W-8, L-3

LOUISVILLE Louisville, KY

S. 6 Illinois *U	
S. 13 Indiana U.	28-41
S. 20 Western Ky. *T	23-14
S. 27 Memphis St. *U	
O. 4 Cincinnati *U	9-31
O. 18 Boston Col. U.	
O. 25 Florida St. *U	
N. 1 Rutgers *U	
N. 8 Tulane *U	
N. 15 West Virginia *U	13-52
N. 22 Southern Miss. *U	12-42

Coach: Howard Schnellenberger • Colors: Red, Black, White
 Nickname: Cardinals • 1985 Record: W-2, L-9

MAINE Orono, ME

S. 6 Howard F	35-12
S. 13 American Intl. *F	27-17
S. 20 Rhode Island *F	14-34
S. 27 Boston U. F	14-19
O. 4 Central Conn. *F	51-8
O. 11 Northeastern *F	13-14
O. 18 Massachusetts *U	7-20
O. 25 Connecticut F	28-3
N. 1 Delaware *U	10-7
N. 8 New Hampshire F	45-40
N. 15 Richmond U.	24-37

Coach: Buddy Teevens • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Black Bears • 1985 Record: W-6, L-5

MANKATO STATE Mankato, MN

S. 6 Northern Iowa *U	
S. 13 Western Ill. *U	
S. 20 North Dakota St. *U	16-35
S. 27 St. Cloud St. U.	14-34
O. 4 North Dakota F	28-6
O. 11 Neb.-Omaha *U	6-7
O. 18 Northern Colo. F	37-25
O. 25 South Dakota *U	14-35
N. 1 South Dakota St. U.	38-31
N. 8 Morningside *U	20-28
N. 15 Augustana, S.D. F	35-27

Coach: Dan Runkle • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Mavericks • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

MARSHALL Huntington, WV

A. 30 West Virginia Tech *F	30-0
S. 6 Morehead St. *F	27-10
S. 13 Ohio F	31-7
S. 20 Eastern Ky. *F	13-7
S. 27 Furman *U	3-34
O. 4 Va. Military U.	21-16
O. 18 East Tenn. St. F	34-21
O. 25 Davidson *F	
N. 1 Tenn.-Chattanooga *U	7-38
N. 8 Appalachian St. *U	0-40
N. 15 Western Caro. U.	10-10

Coach: George Chaump • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Thundering Herd
 1985 Record: W-7, L-3, T-1

MARYLAND College Park, MD

S. 1 Pittsburgh *U	
S. 13 Vanderbilt *F	
S. 20 West Virginia U.	28-0
S. 27 North Carolina St. *F	31-17
O. 11 Boston Col. *F	31-13
O. 18 Wake Forest *F	26-3
O. 25 Duke F	40-10
N. 1 North Carolina F	28-10
N. 8 Penn State U.	18-20
N. 15 Clemson @ U	34-31
N. 28 Virginia F	33-21
@ Baltimore, MD	

Coach: Bobby Ross • Colors: Red, White, Black and Gold
 Nickname: Terps • 1985 Record: W-9, L-3

MASSACHUSETTS Amherst, MA

S. 6 James Madison *F	
S. 13 Richmond *U	14-19
S. 27 Northeastern *F	10-7
O. 4 Rhode Island F	3-7
O. 11 Delaware *U	24-27
O. 18 Maine F	20-7
O. 25 Boston U. F	17-14
N. 1 Holy Cross U.	27-3
N. 8 Harvard U.	3-10
N. 15 New Hampshire *F	21-17
N. 22 Connecticut *F	21-7

Coach: Jim Reid • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Minutemen • 1985 Record: W-7, L-4

MCNEESE STATE Lake Charles, LA

S. 6 Prairie View *F	
S. 13 NW Louisiana *F	13-14
S. 20 Nicholls St. *F	35-37
S. 27 North Texas St. *F	0-0
O. 4 SW Texas *F	28-0
O. 11 Louisiana Tech *U	3-35
O. 18 NE Louisiana *F	10-0
O. 25 Arkansas St. *U	15-13
N. 8 Northern Iowa *U	
N. 15 SW Louisiana *F	14-3
N. 22 Lamar *F	28-7

Coach: John McCann • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Cowboys • 1985 Record: W-6, L-3, T-2

MEMPHIS STATE Memphis, TN

S. 6 Mississippi @ U	17-17
S. 13 Arkansas St. *F	
S. 20 SW Louisiana *F	37-6
S. 27 Louisville *F	
O. 4 Mississippi St. *T	28-31
O. 11 Alabama U.	9-28
O. 18 Southern Miss. *U	7-14
N. 1 Vanderbilt U.	
N. 8 Tennessee U.	7-17
N. 15 Tulane *F	38-21
N. 22 New Mexico *F	
@ Jackson, MS	

Coach: Charlie Bailey • Colors: Blue & Gray
 Nickname: Tigers • 1985 Record: W-2, L-7, T-2

MIAMI Coral Gables, FL

A. 30 South Carolina *F	
S. 6 Florida F	23-35
S. 13 Texas Tech *F	
S. 27 Oklahoma *F	27-14
O. 4 Northern Ill. *F	
O. 11 West Virginia F	
O. 18 Cincinnati *F	38-0
N. 1 Florida St. *F	35-27
N. 8 Pittsburgh F	
N. 15 Tulsa *F	
N. 27 East Carolina *F	27-15

Coach: Jimmy Johnson • Colors: Orange, Green, White
 Nickname: Hurricanes
 1985 Record: W-10, L-2

MIAMI Oxford, OH

S. 6 Ball State +F	17-13
S. 13 Cincinnati U	16-10
S.20 Louisiana St. *U	
S.27 Bowling Green +F	24-28
O. 4 Ohio F	29-22
O.11 Toledo +F	26-14
O.18 Western Mich. F	10-10
O.25 Northern Ill. F	32-15
N. 1 Fresno Mich. +F	19-14
N. 8 Kent State F	52-24
N.15 Eastern Mich. +F	31-16

Coach: Tim Rose • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Redskins • 1985 Record: W-8 L-2 T-1

MICHIGAN Ann Arbor, MI

S.13 Notre Dame F	20-12
S.20 Oregon St. +F	
S.27 Florida St. +F	
O. 4 Wisconsin F	33-6
O.11 Michigan St. +F	31-0
O.18 Iowa +F	10-12
O.25 Indiana F	42-15
N. 1 Illinois +F	3-3
N. 8 Purdue F	47-0
N.15 Minnesota +F	48-7
N.22 Ohio State F	27-17
D. 6 Hawaii F	

Coach: Bo Schembechler • Colors: Maize & Blue
 Nickname: Wolverines • 1985 Record: W-10 L-1 T-1

MICHIGAN STATE East Lansing, MI

S.13 Arizona St. *U	12-3
S.20 Notre Dame +F	10-27
S.27 Western Mich. +F	7-3
O. 4 Iowa +F	31-35
O.11 Michigan U	0-31
O.18 Illinois F	17-30
O.25 Purdue +F	28-24
N. 1 Minnesota F	31-26
N. 8 Indiana +F	35-16
N.15 Northwestern F	32-0
N.22 Wisconsin +F	41-7

Coach: George Perles • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Spartans • 1985 Record: W-7 L-5

MIDDLE TENNESSEE Murfreesboro, TN

S. 6 Tennessee St. U	
S.20 Ga. Southern +*U	35-10
S.27 Eastern Ky. F	28-14
O. 4 Austin Peay *F	17-14
O.11 Akron +F	17-0
O.18 SW Missouri F	
N. 1 Youngstown St. *F	28-21
N. 8 Morehead St. +F	33-14
N.15 Murray St. F	31-24
N.22 Tenn. Tech +F	45-12

Coach: Boots Dannelly • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Blue Raiders • 1985 Record: W-11 L-1

MINNESOTA Minneapolis, MN

S.13 Bowling Green +*F	
S.20 Oklahoma U	7-13
S.27 Pacific, Cal. +*F	
O. 4 Purdue F	45-15
O.11 North Carolina +*F	21-10
O.18 Indiana +*F	22-7
O.25 Ohio State U	19-23
N. 1 Michigan St. +*U	26-31
N. 8 Wisconsin F	27-18
N.15 Michigan U	7-48
N.22 Iowa +*U	9-31

Coach: John Gutekunst • Colors: Maroon & Gold
 Nickname: Golden Gophers
 1985 Record: W-7 L-5

MISSISSIPPI University, MS

S. 6 Memphis St. *@F	17-17
S.13 Arkansas *%U	19-24
S.20 Arkansas St. +F	18-16
S.27 Tulane +U	27-10
O. 4 Georgia U	21-49
O.11 Kentucky @U	
O.18 SW Louisiana +F	
O.25 Vanderbilt U	35-7
N. 1 Louisiana St. *U	0-14
N.15 Tennessee @U	14-34
N.22 Mississippi St. @U	45-27
@ Jackson, MS	
% Little Rock, AR	

Coach: Billy Brewer • Colors: Red & Blue
 Nickname: Rebels • 1985 Record: W-4 L-6 T-1

MISSISSIPPI STATE

Mississippi State, MS

S. 6 Syracuse *U	30-3
S.13 Tennessee U	
S.20 Southern Miss. @U	23-20
S.27 Florida +*U	22-36
O. 4 Memphis St. *T	31-28
O.11 Arkansas St. +*F	22-14
O.18 Tulane *F	31-27
O.25 Auburn +U	9-21
N. 1 Alabama +U	28-44
N.15 Louisiana St. @U	15-17
N.22 Mississippi @F	27-45
@ Jackson, MS	

Coach: Rocky Felker • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1985 Record: W-5 L-6

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY Ita Bena, MS

S. 6 Alabama A&M +*F	32-19
S.20 Bishop +*F	80-14
S.27 Jackson St. *U	35-14
O. 4 Southern U. *U	28-7
O.11 N.C. A&T U	35-36
O.18 Grambling +U	21-31
O.25 Tex. Southern *F	59-40
N. 1 Prairie View +F	66-17
N. 9 Alcorn St. @F	28-35
N.15 Alabama St. +F	55-6
@ Jackson, MS	

Coach: Archie Cooley • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Delta Devils • 1985 Record: W-8 L-3

MISSOURI Columbia, MO

S.13 Utah State +F	
S.20 Texas +U	17-21
S.27 Indiana +U	17-36
O. 4 Syracuse U*	
O.11 Colorado +U	7-38
O.18 Nebraska U	20-28
O.25 Kansas St. F	17-20
N. 1 Iowa State +F	28-27
N. 8 Oklahoma U	6-51
N.15 Oklahoma St. U	19-21
N.22 Kansas +F	20-34

Coach: Woody Widenhofer • Colors: Old Gold & Black
 Nickname: Tigers
 1985 Record: W-1 L-10

MONTANA Missoula, MT

S.20 Nevada-Reno U	23-38
S.27 Northern Ariz. +U	32-31
O. 4 Eastern Wash. +U	19-52
O.11 Boise St. *U	3-28
O.18 Idaho St. +U	35-29
O.25 Montana St. +U	18-41
N. 1 Idaho +U	0-38
N. 8 Weber St. F	29-57
N.15 Idaho St. *U	
N.22 Portland St. U	16-21

Coach: Coach: Don Read • Colors: Copper, Silver, Gold
 Nickname: Grizzlies
 1985 Record: W-3 L-8

MONTANA STATE Bozeman, MT

S. 6 Fresno St. *U	
S.13 Sam Houston St. *U	
S.20 Idaho St. +U	9-50
S.27 Nevada-Reno +U	14-61
O. 4 Boise St. +U	21-58
O.11 Weber St. *F	36-50
O.18 Northern Ariz. +U	24-27
O.25 Montana F	41-18
N. 1 Northern Iowa +U	
N. 8 Idaho *U	0-34
N.15 Eastern Wash. U	23-28

Coach: Dave Arnold • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Bobcats • 1985 Record: W-2 L-9

MOREHEAD STATE Morehead, KY

S. 6 Marshall *U	10-27
S.13 James Madison +*U	14-35
S.20 Wichita St. U	
S.27 Kentucky St. +*F	
O.11 Austin Peay +U	10-14
O.18 Tenn. Tech U	6-59
O.25 Akron *U	9-38
N. 1 Murray St. +U	9-35
N. 8 Middle Tenn. U	14-33
N.15 Youngstown St. +U	17-20
N.22 Eastern Ky. U	0-26

Coach: Bill Baldridge • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Eagles • 1985 Record: W-1 L-10

MORGAN STATE Baltimore, MD

S. 6 Virginia Union *T	
S.13 Belhune-Cookman *U	
S.20 Delaware St. +U	0-35
S.27 N.C. A&T +U	20-48
O.11 South Carolina St. U	10-14
O.18 Towson St. +U	8-52
O.25 Tennessee St. +U	0-21
N.15 Howard U	3-7

Coach: Jesse Thomas • Colors: Blue & Orange
 Nickname: Bears • 1985 Record: W-0 L-9

MORNINGSIDE Sioux City, IA

S. 6 Wayne St. Neb. F	34-10
S.13 Northern Colo. U	32-7
S.20 N'western, Ia. +*F	
S.27 Neb.-Omaha +U	21-22
O. 4 South Dakota St. U	14-25
O.11 South Dakota +U	38-40
O.18 North Dakota F	48-7
O.25 North Dakota St. +*U	18-18
N. 1 Augustana, S.D. +F	51-44
N. 8 Mankato St. F	28-20
N.15 St. Cloud St. +U	21-15

Coach: Erv Mondl • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Chiefs • 1985 Record: W-7 L-3 T-1

MURRAY STATE Murray, KY

S. 6 SE Missouri *F	33-25
S.13 Southern Ill. +*U	
S.27 Western Ky. +*U	25-27
O. 4 Central Florida *F	
O.11 Eastern Ky. +U	27-20
O.18 Akron *U	10-17
O.25 Tenn. Tech +F	29-21
N. 1 Morehead St. F	35-9
N. 8 Youngstown St. +F	
N.15 Middle Tenn. +U	24-31
N.22 Austin Peay F	14-6

Coach: Frank Beamer • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Racers • 1985 Record: W-7 L-3 T-1

NAVY Annapolis, MD

S.13 Virginia +F	17-13
S.20 Indiana U	35-38
S.27 Lehigh +F	
O. 4 Dartmouth +F	
O.11 Air Force U	7-24
O.18 Pennsylvania +F	
O.25 Pittsburgh U	21-7
N. 1 Notre Dame @*U	17-41
N. 8 Syracuse U	20-24
N.15 Delaware +F	13-16
O. 6 Army *F	17-7
@ Baltimore, MD	
% Philadelphia, PA	

Coach: Gary Tranquill • Colors: Navy Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Midshipmen • 1985 Record: W-4 L-7

NEBRASKA Lincoln, NE

S. 6 Florida St. +*F	13-17
S.20 Illinois F	52-25
S.27 Oregon +F	63-0
O. 4 South Carolina +F	
O.11 Oklahoma St. +F	34-24
O.18 Missouri +F	28-20
O.25 Colorado F	17-7
N. 1 Kansas St. +F	41-3
N. 8 Iowa State F	49-0
N.15 Kansas F	56-6
N.22 Oklahoma +U	7-27

Coach: Tom Osborne • Colors: Scarlet & Cream
 Nickname: Cornhuskers • 1985 Record: W-9 L-3

NEBRASKA-OMAHA Omaha, NE

S. 6 Central Mo. *F	34-6
S.13 Kearney St. +*F	10-6
S.20 South Dakota St. +*F	28-45
S.27 Morningside F	22-21
O. 4 St. Cloud St. +*F	10-20
O.11 Mankato St. F	7-6
O.18 Augustana, S.D. +*F	20-23
O.25 Northern Colo. F	38-14
N. 1 North Dakota St. U	12-13
N. 8 North Dakota +F	19-7
N.15 South Dakota U	17-20

Coach: Sandy Buda • Colors: Black & Crimson
 Nickname: Mavericks • 1985 Record: W-6 L-5

NEVADA-LAS VEGAS Las Vegas, NV

S. 6 Washington St. U	
S.13 Portland St. +*F	
S.20 Wisconsin +U	23-26
S.27 Fullerton St. +*F	10-6
O.11 Pacific, Cal. F	24-14
O.18 San Jose St. +*F	16-16
O.25 Utah State F	14-7
N. 1 North Texas St. +*F	
N. 8 Fresno St. +*U	6-26
N.15 New Mexico St. *F	17-12
N.22 Long Beach St. *F	24-28

Coach: Harvey Hyde • Colors: Scarlet & Gray
 Nickname: Rebels • 1985 Record: W-5 L-5 T-1

NEVADA-RENO Reno, NV

A.30 Fullerton St. +F	30-3
S. 6 Sam Houston St. +F	
S.20 Montana +F	38-23
S.27 Montana St. F	61-14
O. 4 Weber St. *F	47-12
O.11 Stephen F. Austin +F	
O.18 Idaho +F	21-25
O.25 Eastern Wash. +F	31-25
N. 1 Idaho St. *F	42-14
N. 8 Boise St. F	37-10
N.15 Northern Ariz. +F	36-10

Coach: Chris Ault • Colors: Silver & Blue
 Nickname: Wolf Pack • 1985 Record: W-11 L-2

NEW HAMPSHIRE Durham, NH

S. 6 Richmond U	
S.13 Delaware U	
S.20 Boston U. +F	27-13
S.27 Dartmouth F	23-7
O. 4 Connecticut +F	10-8
O.11 Lafayette U	7-20
O.25 Northeastern F	35-21
N. 1 Rhode Island +U	20-30
N. 8 Maine +U	40-45
N.15 Massachusetts U	17-21
N.22 Colgate +U	

Coach: Bill Bowes • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1985 Record: W-6 L-4

NEW MEXICO Albuquerque, NM

S. 6 Tennessee *U	
S.13 Brigham Young U	23-45
S.20 Texas Tech *U	31-32
S.27 San Diego St. +*U	20-55
O. 4 Hawaii *U	17-27
O.11 Texas-El Paso +*F	27-23
O.18 Utah +*U	49-58
O.25 New Mexico St. +*F	34-27
N. 1 Wyoming U	41-16
N. 8 Tulsa +*U	
N.15 Colorado St. U	28-45
N.22 Memphis St. U	

Coach: Joe Lee Dunn • Colors: Cherry & Silver
 Nickname: Lobos • 1985 Record: W-3 L-8

NEW MEXICO STATE Las Cruces, NM

A.30 Angelo St. +*F	
S. 6 Fullerton St. +*U	17-21
S.13 Texas-El Paso +*F	22-20
S.20 Pacific, Cal. U	10-19
S.27 Arkansas @U	13-45
O. 4 Utah State U	23-40
O.11 Fresno St. *U	21-48
O.18 Long Beach St. +*U	17-38
O.25 New Mexico *U	27-34
N. 1 San Jose St. +*U	3-32
N.15 Nevada-Las Vegas +*U	12-17
@ Little Rock, AR	

Coach: Mike Knoll • Colors: Crimson & White
 Nickname: Aggies • 1985 Record: W-1 L-10

NICHOLLS STATE Thibodaux, LA

S. 6 Youngstown St. *F	
S.13 Troy State *F	40-22
S.20 McNeese St. +*U	37-35
S.27 NE Louisiana +*U	15-17
O. 4 SW Missouri T	31-28
O.11 Southern U. +*U	22-25
O.18 Stephen F. Austin U	10-20
O.25 SW Texas F	20-12
N. 1 Sam Houston St. +*U	14-28
N. 8 NW Louisiana *U	14-20
N.22 Weber St. +U	

Coach: William Jackson • Colors: Red & Grey
 Nickname: Colonels • 1985 Record: W-6 L-5

NORTH CAROLINA Chapel Hill, NC

S. 6 Citadel + F	
S. 13 Kansas F	
S. 20 Florida St. *U	10-20
O. 4 Georgia Tech + F	0-31
O. 11 Wake Forest F	34-14
O. 18 North Carolina St. + F	21-14
O. 25 Louisiana St. *U	13-23
N. 1 Maryland + U	10-28
N. 8 Clemson U	21-20
N. 15 Virginia + F	22-24
N. 22 Duke F	21-23

Coach: Dick Crum • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Tar Heels • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

NORTH CAROLINA A&T
Greensboro, NC

S. 6 Fayetteville St. *F	35-0
S. 13 Winston-Salem + F	25-34
S. 20 South Carolina St. + F	14-51
S. 27 Morgan St. F	48-20
O. 4 Johnson C. Smith *F	25-7
O. 11 Miss. Valley St. + F	36-35
O. 25 Howard F	40-14
N. 1 Bethune-Cookman + F	14-20
N. 8 Delaware St. + U	16-30
N. 15 N.C. Central F	28-19
N. 22 Appalachian St. U	

Coach: Maurice Forte • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Aggies • 1985 Record: W-6, L-5

NORTH CAROLINA STATE
Raleigh, NC

S. 6 East Carolina + *F	14-33
S. 13 Pittsburgh + *U	10-24
S. 20 Wake Forest + *F	20-17
S. 27 Maryland *U	17-31
O. 11 Georgia Tech U	18-28
O. 18 North Carolina U	14-21
O. 25 Clemson + U	10-39
N. 1 South Carolina + U	21-17
N. 8 Virginia U	23-22
N. 15 Duke + F	19-31
N. 22 Western Carolina + F	

Coach: Dick Sheridan • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Wolfpack • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

NORTH DAKOTA Grand Forks, ND

S. 6 NW Missouri F	
S. 13 Texas A&I + U	
S. 20 South Dakota U	3-45
S. 27 South Dakota St. + U	23-29
O. 4 Mankato St. + U	6-28
O. 11 Augustana, S.D. F	41-18
O. 18 Morningside + U	7-48
O. 25 St. Cloud St. U	30-3
N. 1 Northern Colo. + F	27-28
N. 8 Neb.-Omaha U	7-19
N. 15 North Dakota St. + U	0-49

Coach: Roger Thomas • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Sioux • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

NORTH DAKOTA STATE
Fargo, ND

S. 6 Northern Mich. + *F	26-10
S. 20 Mankato St. F	35-16
S. 27 South Dakota + *F	14-38
O. 4 Northern Colo. F	40-13
O. 11 South Dakota St. F	41-7
O. 18 St. Cloud St. + F	35-19
O. 25 Morningside *F	18-18
N. 1 Neb.-Omaha + F	13-12
N. 8 Augustana, S.D. + F	25-0
N. 15 North Dakota F	49-0

Coach: Earle Solomanson • Colors: Yellow & Green
 Nickname: Bison • 1985 Record: W-11, L-2, T-1

NORTH TEXAS STATE Denton, TX

S. 6 SW Texas *F	
S. 20 Texas A&M *U	
S. 27 McNeese St. + *U	0-0
O. 4 Louisiana Tech *U	8-33
O. 11 NW Louisiana + *F	34-14
O. 18 Texas Christian U	10-14
O. 25 Lamar *F	20-0
N. 1 Nevada-Las Vegas *U	
N. 8 Arkansas St. + U	0-56
N. 15 NE Louisiana + *F	17-18

Coach: Corky Nelson • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Mean Green, Eagles
 1985 Record: W-4, L-6, T-1

NORTHEASTERN Boston, MA

S. 13 Citadel *U	
S. 20 Youngstown St. + T	18-23
S. 27 Massachusetts U.	7-10
O. 4 Lehigh F	
O. 11 Maine U	14-13
O. 18 Connecticut + F	13-27
O. 25 New Hampshire + U	21-35
N. 1 James Madison + U	
N. 15 Delaware St. U	6-36
N. 22 Rhode Island *U	21-34

Coach: Paul Pawlak • Colors: Red & Black
 Nickname: Huskies • 1985 Record: W-2, L-8

NORTHEAST LOUISIANA
Monroe, LA

S. 6 Southern Miss. *U	
S. 13 SW Louisiana *U	
S. 20 SW Texas + *F	
S. 27 Nicholls St. *F	17-15
O. 4 NW Louisiana + *F	45-21
O. 11 Lamar + *F	37-14
O. 18 McNeese St. U	0-10
N. 1 Stephen F. Austin + U	
N. 8 Louisiana Tech + *U	13-9
N. 15 North Texas St. *U	18-17
N. 22 Arkansas St. U	23-31

Coach: Pat Collins • Colors: Maroon & Gold
 Nickname: Indians • 1985 Record: W-6, L-5

NORTHERN ARIZONA Flagstaff, AZ

A. 30 Southern Utah + *F	
S. 6 Angelo St. + *U	
S. 13 Eastern Wash. + *U	0-33
S. 20 Weber St. + *F	10-37
S. 27 Montana F	31-32
O. 11 SW Texas + *U	
O. 18 Montana St. F	27-24
O. 25 Idaho *U	3-27
N. 1 Boise St. + *U	10-24
N. 8 Idaho St. + *U	3-34
N. 15 Nevada-Reno U	10-36

Coach: Larry Kontera • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Lumberjacks • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

NORTHERN COLORADO Greeley, CO

S. 6 Abilene Christian *U	23-45
S. 13 Morningside + U	7-32
S. 20 Colorado St. U	
S. 27 Augustana, S.D. *F	28-19
O. 4 North Dakota St. + U	13-40
O. 11 St. Cloud St. U	9-33
O. 18 Mankato St. + U	25-37
O. 25 Neb.-Omaha + U	14-38
N. 1 North Dakota U	28-27
N. 8 South Dakota + U	6-49
N. 15 South Dakota St. U	14-23

Coach: Ron Simonson • Colors: Navy & Gold
 Nickname: Bears • 1985 Record: W-2, L-9

NORTHERN ILLINOIS DeKalb, IL

A. 30 Ball State + *U	0-29
S. 6 West Virginia U	
S. 13 Wisconsin U	17-38
S. 20 Iowa U	20-48
S. 27 Western Ill. + *U	
O. 4 Miami, Fla. *U	
O. 18 Toledo F	16-3
O. 25 Miami, O. + U	15-32
N. 1 Bowling Green U	14-34
N. 8 Eastern Mich. + F	3-0
N. 15 Ohio F	35-7

Coach: Jerry Pettibone • Colors: Cardinal & Black
 Nickname: Huskies • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

NORTHERN IOWA Cedar Falls, IA

S. 6 Mankato St. *F	
S. 13 Kansas St. *U	10-6
S. 27 SW Missouri + F	38-17
O. 4 Ark.-Pine Bluff + *F	
O. 11 Eastern Ill. F	21-20
O. 18 Southern Ill. F	48-14
N. 1 Montana St. F	
N. 8 McNeese St. + *F	
N. 15 Indiana St. + *F	24-7
N. 22 Illinois St. + *F	15-3

Coach: Darrell Mudra • Colors: Purple & Old Gold
 Nickname: Panthers • 1985 Record: W-11, L-2

NORTHERN MICHIGAN Marquette, MI

A. 30 Texas-EI Paso *U	
S. 6 North Dakota St. *U	10-26
S. 13 Eastern Ill. + U	12-27
S. 27 NE Missouri + F	24-21
O. 4 Northwood, Mich. F	45-3
O. 11 Western Ill. + U	7-14
O. 18 Saginaw Valley F	20-0
O. 25 Grand Valley St. + F	42-7
N. 1 Minn.-Duluth + F	51-14
N. 15 Hillsdale F	

Coach: Herb Grenke • Colors: Old Gold & Olive
 Green • Nickname: Wildcats 1985 Record: W-6, L-3

CAL. ST., NORTH RIDGE
Northridge, CA

S. 13 Sonoma St. F	40-14
S. 20 Hayward St. + *U	20-25
S. 27 San Francisco St. F	41-17
O. 4 Southern Utah *F	
O. 11 Cal Lutheran F	27-23
O. 18 Cal Poly SLO + *U	21-34
O. 25 St. Mary's, Cal. + *F	45-13
N. 1 Santa Clara U	19-21
N. 8 Cal.-Davis + *U	22-41
N. 15 Portland St. + *U	24-61
N. 22 Sacramento St. U	10-34

Coach: Bob Burt • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Matadors • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

NORTHWESTERN Evanston, IL

S. 6 Duke + U	17-40
S. 20 Army + U	
S. 27 Princeton F	
O. 4 Indiana + U	7-26
O. 11 Minnesota *U	10-21
O. 18 Wisconsin + U	17-14
O. 25 Iowa U	10-49
N. 1 Purdue + U	7-31
N. 8 Ohio State U	17-35
N. 15 Michigan St. + U	0-32
N. 22 Illinois U	20-45

Coach: Francis Peay • Colors: Purple & White
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

NORTHWESTERN ST. Natchitoches, LA

S. 6 Arkansas St. *U	10-12
S. 13 McNeese St. *U	14-13
S. 20 Delta St. + *F	
O. 4 NE Louisiana *U	21-45
O. 11 North Texas St. *U	14-34
O. 18 Sam Houston St. + *U	14-10
O. 25 Louisiana Tech *U	17-33
N. 1 SW Texas + *F	17-26
N. 8 Nicholls St. + *F	20-14
N. 15 Boise St. U	
N. 22 Stephen F. Austin *F	10-19
(a) Shreveport, LA	

Coach: Sam Goodwin • Colors: Burnt Orange, Purple & White
 Nickname: Demons • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

NOTRE DAME Notre Dame, IN

S. 13 Michigan + U	12-20
S. 20 Michigan St. U	27-10
S. 27 Purdue + F	17-35
O. 4 Alabama *U	
O. 11 Pittsburgh + F	
O. 18 Air Force + F	15-21
N. 1 Navy *F	41-17
N. 8 Southern Meth. + F	
N. 15 Penn State + U	6-36
N. 22 Louisiana St. *U	7-10
N. 29 Southern Cal. F	37-3
% Birmingham, AL	
(a) Baltimore, MD	

Coach: Lou Holtz • Colors: Gold & Blue
 Nickname: Fighting Irish • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

OHIO Athens, OH

S. 6 Bowling Green U	17-38
S. 13 Marshall + U	7-31
S. 20 Duke *U	13-34
S. 27 Central Mich. U	7-13
O. 4 Miami, O. + U	22-29
O. 11 Ball State U	23-36
O. 18 Eastern Mich. *U	21-27
O. 25 Toledo + U	10-24
N. 1 Kent State + F	33-23
N. 8 Western Mich. U	21-15
N. 15 Northern Ill. + U	7-35

Coach: Cleve Bryant • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Bobcats • 1985 Record: W-2, L-9

OHIO STATE Columbus, OH

A. 27 Alabama *U	
S. 13 Washington U	
S. 20 Colorado + F	36-13
S. 27 Utah + F	
O. 4 Illinois + F	28-31
O. 11 Indiana F	48-7
O. 18 Purdue F	41-27
O. 25 Minnesota + F	23-19
N. 1 Iowa F	22-13
N. 8 Northwestern + F	35-17
N. 15 Wisconsin F	7-12
N. 22 Michigan + U	17-27
(a) East Rutherford, NJ	

Coach: Earle Bruce • Colors: Scarlet & Gray
 Nickname: Buckeyes • 1985 Record: W-9, L-3

OKLAHOMA Norman, OK

S. 6 UCLA + F	
S. 20 Minnesota + F	13-7
S. 27 Miami, Fla. U	14-27
O. 4 Kansas St. + F	41-6
O. 11 Texas *F	14-7
O. 18 Oklahoma St. + F	13-0
O. 25 Iowa State F	59-14
N. 1 Kansas F	48-6
N. 8 Missouri + F	51-6
N. 15 Colorado F	31-0
N. 22 Nebraska F	27-7
(a) Dallas, TX	

Coach: Barry Switzer • Colors: Crimson & Cream
 Nickname: Sooners • 1985 Record: W-11, L-1

OKLAHOMA STATE Stillwater, OK

S. 6 SW Louisiana *F	
S. 13 Tulsa *F	25-13
S. 20 Houston + *F	
S. 27 Illinois St. + *F	
O. 11 Nebraska U	24-34
O. 18 Oklahoma U	0-13
O. 25 Kansas + *F	17-10
N. 1 Colorado + U	14-11
N. 8 Kansas St. U	35-3
N. 15 Missouri + F	21-19
N. 22 Iowa State + F	10-15

Coach: Pat Jones • Colors: Orange & Black
 Nickname: Cowboys • 1985 Record: W-8, L-4

OREGON Eugene, OR

S. 6 San Jose St. *F	35-13
S. 13 Colorado + U	17-21
S. 20 Arizona + U	8-20
S. 27 Nebraska U	0-63
O. 4 Southern Cal. U	6-20
O. 11 Arizona St. + U	
O. 18 Stanford + U	45-28
O. 25 Washington U	13-19
N. 1 California U	24-27
N. 15 Washington St. + U	42-39
N. 22 Oregon St. F	34-13

Coach: Rich Brooks • Colors: Green & Yellow
 Nickname: Ducks • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

OREGON STATE Corvallis, OR

S. 13 Fresno St. *U	24-33
S. 20 Michigan U	
S. 27 Stanford + U	24-39
O. 4 Washington St. U	0-34
O. 11 California U	23-20
O. 18 Arizona *U	6-27
O. 25 Boise St. + F	
N. 1 UCLA *U	0-41
N. 8 Washington + U	21-20
N. 15 Brigham Young U	
N. 22 Oregon + U	13-34
(a) Portland, OR	

Coach: Dave Kragthorpe • Colors: Orange & Black
 Nickname: Beavers • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

PACIFIC Stockton, CA

S. 6 Sacramento St. + F	49-17
S. 13 Wyoming U	
S. 20 New Mexico St. + F	19-10
S. 27 Minnesota *U	
O. 4 Cal.-Davis + U	
O. 11 Nevada-Las Vegas + U	14-24
O. 18 Fresno St. *U	37-43
O. 25 San Jose St. + U	26-34
N. 8 Utah State F	33-7
N. 15 Fullerton St. U	37-43
N. 29 Long Beach St. *U	7-20

Coach: Bob Cope • Colors: Orange & Black
 Nickname: Tigers • 1985 Record: W-5, L-7

PENN STATE University Park, PA

S. 6 Temple + *F	27-25
S.20 Boston Col. F	16-12
S.27 East Carolina + F	17-10
O. 4 Rutgers + F	17-10
O.11 Cincinnati + F	31-10
O.18 Syracuse + F	24-20
O.25 Alabama U	19-17
N. 1 West Virginia F	27-0
N. 8 Maryland + F	20-18
N.15 Notre Dame F	36-6
N.22 Pittsburgh + F	31-0

Coach: Joe Paterno • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Nittany Lions • 1985 Record: W-11, L-1

PENNSYLVANIA Philadelphia, PA

S.20 Dartmouth F	19-14
S.27 Bucknell + F	31-30
O. 4 Columbia + F	46-14
O.11 Brown F	17-14
O.18 Navy U	23-7
O.25 Yale + F	23-7
N. 1 Princeton F	31-21
N. 8 Lafayette + F	30-20
N.15 Harvard + F	6-17
N.22 Cornell F	10-6

Coach: Ed Zubrow • Colors: Red & Blue
 Nickname: Quakers • 1985 Record: 7-2, T-1

PITTSBURGH Pittsburgh, PA

S. 1 Maryland + *F	
S.13 North Carolina St. *F	24-10
S.20 Purdue F	31-30
S.27 West Virginia + U	10-10
O. 4 Temple + F	21-17
O.11 Notre Dame U	
O.25 Navy + F	7-21
N. 1 Syracuse U	0-12
N. 8 Miami, Fla. + U	
N.15 Rutgers + F	38-10
N.22 Penn State U	0-31

Coach: Mike Gottfried • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Panthers • 1985 Record: W-5, L-5, T-1

PORTLAND STATE Portland, OR

S. 6 Idaho *U	17-51
S.13 Nevada-Las Vegas *U	
S.27 Weber St. + U	24-45
O. 4 Humboldt St. + *F	
O.11 Southern Utah + F	
O.18 Sacramento St. + U	14-26
O.25 Cal Lutheran F	27-20
N. 1 Cal Poly SLO + *U	21-34
N. 8 Santa Clara + *U	20-20
N.15 Northridge St. *F	61-24
N.22 Montana + F	21-16

Coach: Poky Allen • Colors: Green & White
 Nickname: Vikings • 1985 Record: W-4, L-5, T-1

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M Prairie View, TX

A.30 Tex. Southern *U	7-19
S. 6 McNeese St. *U	
S.13 Stephen F. Austin *U	
S.20 Jackson St. *U	3-21
S.27 Southern U. U	12-14
O. 4 Grambling + *U	7-27
O.11 Bishop *F	28-15
O.18 Tex. Lutheran *F	6-30
O.25 Alabama St. + *U	10-17
N. 1 Miss. Valley St. U	17-56
N.15 Alcorn St. + *U	7-41

Coach: Conway Hayman • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Panthers • 1985 Record: W-2, L-9
 @ Austin, TX

PRINCETON Princeton, NJ

S.20 Cornell U	33-27
S.27 Northwestern + U	
O. 4 Brown + U	0-17
O.11 Columbia F	31-0
O.18 Lehigh U	13-34
O.25 Harvard + U	11-6
N. 1 Pennsylvania + U	21-31
N. 8 William & Mary U	28-33
N.15 Yale U	21-12
N.22 Dartmouth + F	10-3

Coach: Ron Rogerson • Colors: Orange & Black
 Nickname: Tigers • 1985 Record: W-5, L-5

PURDUE West Lafayette, IN

S.13 Ball State + F	37-18
S.20 Pittsburgh + U	30-31
S.27 Notre Dame U	35-17
O. 4 Minnesota + U	15-45
O.11 Illinois U	30-24
O.18 Ohio State + U	27-41
O.25 Michigan St. U	24-28
N. 1 Northwestern F	31-7
N. 8 Michigan + U	0-47
N.15 Iowa U	24-27
N.22 Indiana + U	34-21

Coach: Leon Burnett • Colors: Old Gold & Black
 Nickname: Boilermakers • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

RHODE ISLAND Kingston, RI

S. 6 Delaware U	13-29
S.13 Towson St. + F	
S.20 Maine U	34-14
S.27 Brown + U	27-32
O. 4 Massachusetts + U	7-3
O.18 Boston U. + F	34-19
O.25 Richmond + U	
N. 1 New Hampshire F	30-20
N. 8 Southern Conn. + F	
N.15 Connecticut F	56-42
N.22 Northeastern F	34-21

Coach: Bob Griffin • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Rams • 1985 Record: W-10, L-3

RICE Houston, TX

S. 6 Lamar + *F	29-28
S.13 Southern Meth. + *U	15-40
S.27 SW Texas + *F	
O. 4 Texas + *U	16-44
O.11 Texas Christian *U	34-27
O.18 Texas Tech + U	29-27
O.25 Texas A&M U	28-43
N. 1 Arkansas U	15-30
N.15 Baylor + U	10-34
N.22 Air Force + U	17-59
N.29 Houston *U	20-24

Coach: Jerry Berndt • Colors: Blue & Gray
 Nickname: Owls • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

RICHMOND Richmond, VA

S. 6 New Hampshire + F	
S.13 Massachusetts F	19-14
S.20 Connecticut F	
S.27 Delaware + U	
O. 4 Boston U. + F	13-24
O.18 Va. Military + F	28-14
O.25 Rhode Island F	
N. 1 Georgia U	
N. 8 Virginia Tech + F	24-14
N.15 Maine + F	37-24
N.22 William & Mary + F	17-28

Coach: Dal Shealy • Colors: Red & Blue
 Nickname: Spiders • 1985 Record: W-8, L-3

RUTGERS New Brunswick, NJ

S. 6 Boston Col. U	10-20
S.13 Kentucky U	
S.20 Cincinnati + F	
S.27 Syracuse U	14-31
O. 4 Penn State U	10-17
O.18 Florida *U	28-28
O.25 Army *U	16-20
N. 1 Louisville F	
N. 8 West Virginia *U	0-27
N.15 Pittsburgh U	10-38
N.22 Temple + F	13-14
@ East Rutherford, NJ	

Coach: Dick Anderson • Colors: Scarlet
 Nickname: Scarlet Knights
 1985 Record: W-2, L-8, T-1

SACRAMENTO, CAL. ST.

Sacramento, CA	
S. 6 Pacific, Cal. U	17-49
S.13 Mesa *F	
S.27 Humboldt St. *F	39-30
O. 4 Chico St. *F	16-14
O.11 Santa Clara + *U	14-17
O.18 Portland St. + *F	26-14
O.25 Southern Utah F	
N. 1 Cal Lutheran + *F	38-7
N. 8 Cal Poly SLO F	28-27
N.15 Cal-Davis U	30-37
N.22 Northridge St. + F	34-10

Coach: Bob Matos • Colors: Green & Gold
 Nickname: Hornets • 1985 Record: W-8, L-3

ST. CLOUD STATE St. Cloud, MN

S. 6 Indiana St. *U	14-38
S.13 Minn.-Duluth F	24-10
S.20 Augustana, S.D. + F	10-0
S.27 Mankato St. + F	34-14
O. 4 Neb.-Omaha *U	20-10
O.11 Northern Colo. + F	33-9
O.18 North Dakota St. F	19-35
O.25 North Dakota + U	3-30
N. 1 South Dakota U	40-24
N. 8 South Dakota St. + F	21-28
N.15 Morningside F	15-21

Coach: Noel Martin • Colors: Cardinal & Black
 Nickname: Huskies • 1985 Record: W-6, L-5

SAM HOUSTON STATE

Huntsville, TX	
S. 6 Nevada-Reno U	
S.13 Montana St. + *F	
S.20 Lamar + *F	34-22
S.27 Angelo St. + *F	24-14
O. 4 Tex. Southern *F	
O.11 Central St., Okla. + *F	
O.18 NW Louisiana *F	10-14
N. 1 Nicholls St. *F	28-14
N. 8 Stephen F. Austin + *F	28-21
N.15 Western Ill. F	
N.22 SW Texas + F	27-25

Coach: Ron Randleman • Colors: Orange & White
 Nickname: Bearcats • 1985 Record: W-8, L-3

SAN DIEGO STATE San Diego, CA

S. 6 Long Beach St. + *U	34-14
S.13 Utah *U	37-39
S.20 UCLA + *U	16-34
S.27 New Mexico *F	55-20
O. 4 Stanford U	41-22
O.18 Texas-El Paso *F	34-6
O.25 Air Force + *U	10-31
N. 1 Colorado St. U	48-23
N.15 Wyoming + *F	20-41
N.22 Hawaii + *U	10-10
N.29 Brigham Young + *U	0-28

Coach: Denny Stolz • Colors: Scarlet & Black
 Nickname: Aztecs • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6, T-1

SAN FRANCISCO ST. San Francisco, CA

S. 6 Wichita St. U	
S.13 Cal Lutheran U	24-28
S.20 St. Mary's, Cal. F	41-10
S.27 Northridge St. + U	17-41
O.11 Sonoma St. F	35-26
O.18 Cal.-Davis + U	12-65
O.25 Santa Clara U	30-53
N. 1 Azusa-Pacific + U	38-38
N. 8 Chico St. + U	7-34
N.15 Humboldt St. + U	14-28
N.22 Hayward St. U	34-24

Coach: Vic Rowen • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Gators • 1985 Record: W-3, L-6, T-1

SAN JOSE STATE San Jose, CA

S. 6 Oregon + *U	13-35
S.13 Washington St. U	
S.20 Stanford U	7-41
S.27 California U	21-48
O. 4 Fresno St. + U	17-37
O.11 Utah State + F	32-35
O.18 Nevada-Las Vegas *U	16-16
O.25 Pacific, Cal. F	34-26
N. 1 New Mexico St. *F	32-3
N. 8 Fullerton St. U	18-20
N.15 Long Beach St. + U	22-37

Coach: Claude Gilbert • Colors: Gold & White
 Nickname: Spartans • 1985 Record: W-2, L-8, T-1

SANTA CLARA Santa Clara, CA

S.13 Southern Utah + *F	44-18
S.20 Chico St. *F	
S.27 Cal.-Davis + *U	25-46
O. 4 Hayward St. F	10-6
O.11 Sacramento St. *F	17-14
O.18 Cal Lutheran F	51-23
O.25 San Francisco St. + F	53-30
N. 1 Northridge St. + F	21-19
N. 8 Portland St. F	20-20
N.15 St. Mary's, Cal. F	16-21
N.22 Cal Poly SLO + F	12-6

Coach: Terry Malley • Colors: Bronco Red, White & Gold
 Nickname: Broncos • 1985 Record: 8-2-1

SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia, SC

A.30 Miami, Fla. + *U	
S. 6 Virginia *F	
S.13 Western Caro. + *F	
S.27 Georgia + *U	21-35
O. 4 Nebraska + U	
O.11 Virginia Tech F	
O.25 East Carolina + F	52-10
N. 1 North Carolina St. F	17-21
N. 8 Florida St. + U	14-56
N.15 Wake Forest + F	
N.22 Clemson U	17-24

Coach: Joe Morrison • Colors: Garnet & Black
 Nickname: Fighting Gamecocks
 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE Orangeburg, SC

S. 6 Furman U	31-38
S.20 N.C. A&T U	51-14
S.27 Howard + U	27-21
O. 4 Alcorn St. + U	24-39
O.11 Morgan St. + F	14-10
O.25 Bethune-Cookman *U	36-45
O.26 Florida A&M *U	
N. 1 Delaware St. U	20-38
N. 8 Virginia Union + F	32-7
N.15 Grambling + U	13-10
N.22 Ga. Southern U	30-43

Coach: Dennis Thomas • Colors: Garnet & Blue
 Nickname: Bulldogs • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

SOUTH DAKOTA Vermillion, SD

S. 6 Washburn + F	
S.13 South Dakota St. F	12-24
S.20 North Dakota + U	45-3
S.27 North Dakota St. *F	38-14
O. 4 Augustana, S.D. + F	42-24
O.11 Morningside F	40-38
O.18 South Dakota St. + F	
O.25 Mankato St. F	35-14
N. 1 St. Cloud St. + F	24-40
N. 8 Northern Colo. F	49-6
N.15 Neb.-Omaha + F	20-17

Coach: Dave Triplett • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Coyotes • 1985 Record: W-10, L-3

SOUTH DAKOTA ST. Brookings, SD

S. 6 Wis.-Stevens Pl. + F	
S.13 South Dakota + U	24-12
S.20 Neb.-Omaha *U	45-28
S.27 North Dakota F	29-23
O. 4 Morningside + F	25-14
O.11 North Dakota St. + U	7-41
O.18 South Dakota U	
O.25 Augustana, S.D. F	31-19
N. 1 Mankato St. + F	31-38
N. 8 St. Cloud St. U	28-21
N.15 Northern Colo. + F	23-14

Coach: Wayne Haensel • Colors: Yellow & Blue
 Nickname: Jackrabbits • 1985 Record: W-7, L-4

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Los Angeles, CA

S.13 Illinois + F	20-10
S.20 Baylor *U	13-20
S.27 Washington + U	17-20
O. 4 Oregon + F	20-6
O.11 Washington St. F	31-13
O.18 Arizona St. + U	0-24
O.25 Stanford F	30-6
N. 1 Arizona *U	
N.15 California + F	6-14
N.22 UCLA U	17-13
N.29 Notre Dame + U	3-37

Coach: Ted Tollner • Colors: Cardinal & Gold
 Nickname: Trojans • 1985 Record: W-6, L-6

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS Carbondale, IL

A.30 Arkansas St. *U	12-41
S. 6 Austin Peay + F	
S.13 Murray St. *F	
S.20 Eastern Ill. *U	42-13
S.27 Youngstown St. + U	
O. 4 Kansas U	
O.11 Indiana St. + U	38-41
O.18 Northern Iowa + U	
O.25 Illinois St. U	21-0
N. 1 SW Missouri F	28-40
N. 8 Western Ill. + F	7-14

Coach: Ray Dorr • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Salukis • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

SOUTHERN METHODIST Dallas, TX

S 13 Rice*F	40-15
S 20 Arizona St.*U	
S 27 Texas Christian*U	56-21
O 4 Boston Col.*F	
O 11 Baylor*U	14-21
O 18 Houston*F	37-13
O 25 Texas U	44-14
N 1 Texas A&M*U	17-19
N 8 Notre Dame U	
N 15 Texas Tech F	9-7
N 22 Arkansas*U	9-15

Coach: Bobby Collins • Colors: Red & Blue
 Nickname: Mustangs • 1985 Record: W-6, L-5

SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

Hattiesburg, MS

S 6 NE Louisiana*F	
S 13 Alabama*U	13-24
S 20 Mississippi St.*F	20-23
S 27 Texas A&M*U	
O 4 Kentucky*U	
O 18 Memphis St.*F	14-7
O 25 Tulane*F	24-6
N 1 East Carolina F	27-0
N 8 SW Louisiana*F	38-16
N 15 Florida St.*U	
N 22 Louisville*F	42-12
@ Birmingham, AL	
% Jackson, MS	

Coach: Jim Carmody • Colors: Black & Gold
 Nickname: Golden Eagles • 1985 Record: W-7, L-4

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

Baton Rouge, LA

A 30 Delaware St.*U	8-46
S 13 Alabama St.*F	35-14
S 20 Texas Southern*F	22-44
S 27 Prairie View*F	14-12
O 4 Miss. Valley St.*F	7-28
O 11 Nicholls St.*F	25-22
O 18 Jackson St.*U	9-27
O 25 Alcorn St.*F	13-23
N 1 Tennessee St.*U	13-10
N 15 Florida A&M*F	38-27
N 29 Grambling*U	12-29
% New Orleans, LA	

Coach: Otis Washington • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Jaguars • 1985 Record: W-6, L-5

SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA

Lafayette, LA

S 6 Oklahoma St.*U	
S 13 NE Louisiana*F	
S 20 Memphis St.*U	6-37
O 4 East Carolina U	16-14
O 11 Tulsa*F	
O 18 Mississippi U	
O 25 Stephen F. Austin*U	
N 1 Tulane*U	17-27
N 8 Southern Miss.*U	16-38
N 15 McNeese St.*U	3-14
N 22 Louisiana Tech*F	23-24

Coach: Nelson Stokley • Colors: Vermilion & White
 Nickname: Ragin' Cajuns • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE

Springfield, MO

S 6 Illinois St.*U	17-17
S 13 Indiana St.*U	
S 20 Western Ill.*U	27-17
S 27 Northern Iowa U	17-38
O 4 Nicholls St.*T	28-31
O 11 Jackson St.*U	
O 18 Middle Tenn.*U	
O 25 Eastern Ill.*U	27-28
N 1 Southern Ill.*U	40-28
N 8 Central Mo. F	37-3

Coach: Jesse Branch • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Boars • 1985 Record: W-6, L-4, T-1

SOUTHWEST TEXAS San Marcos, TX

S 6 North Texas St.*U	
S 13 Abilene Christian*U	
S 20 NE Louisiana*U	
S 27 Rice*U	
O 4 McNeese St.*U	0-28
O 11 Northern Ariz.*F	
O 18 Lamar*U	21-24
O 25 Nicholls St.*U	12-20
N 1 NW Louisiana*U	26-17
N 15 Stephen F. Austin*U	21-43
N 22 Sam Houston St.*U	25-27

Coach: John O'Hara • Colors: Maroon & Gold
 Nickname: Bobcats • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

STANFORD Stanford, CA

S 13 Texas*U	34-38
S 20 San Jose St.*F	41-7
S 27 Oregon St. F	39-24
O 4 San Diego St.*F	22-41
O 11 Washington*U	0-34
O 18 Oregon F	28-45
O 25 Southern Cal.*U	6-30
N 1 Washington St.*F	
N 8 UCLA U	9-34
N 22 California U	24-22
N 30 Arizona*U	28-17
@ Tokyo, Japan	

Coach: Jack Elway • Colors: Cardinal & White
 Nickname: Cardinal • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN Nacogdoches, TX

S 6 Alcorn St. F	42-12
S 13 Prairie View*F	
S 27 Lamar*F	
O 4 West Texas St.*F	
O 11 Nevada-Reno U	
O 18 Nicholls St.*F	20-10
O 25 SW Louisiana F	
N 1 NE Louisiana F	
N 8 Sam Houston St.*U	21-28
N 15 SW Texas F	43-21
N 22 NW Louisiana*U	19-10

Coach: Jim Hess • Colors: Purple & White
 Nickname: Lumberjacks • 1985 Record: W-9, L-2

SYRACUSE Syracuse, NY

S 6 Mississippi St.*F	3-30
S 13 Army F	
S 20 Virginia Tech*F	14-24
S 27 Rutgers*F	31-14
O 4 Missouri*F	
O 18 Penn State U	20-24
O 25 Temple F	29-14
N 1 Pittsburgh*F	12-0
N 8 Navy*F	24-20
N 15 Boston Col. F	41-21
N 22 West Virginia T.	10-13

Coach: Dick MacPherson • Colors: Orange
 Nickname: Orangemen • 1985 Record: W-7, L-5

TEMPLE Philadelphia, PA

S 6 Penn State*U	25-27
S 13 Western Mich. F	
S 20 Florida A&M*F	
S 27 Brigham Young U	24-26
O 4 Pittsburgh U	17-21
O 11 East Carolina*F	21-7
O 18 Virginia Tech*F	
O 25 Syracuse*U	14-29
N 8 Boston Col.*U	25-28
N 15 Alabama U	
N 22 Rutgers U	14-13
@ Norfolk, VA	

Coach: Bruce Ariens • Colors: Cherry & White
 Nickname: Owls • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

TENNESSEE Knoxville, TN

S 6 New Mexico*F	
S 13 Mississippi St.*F	
S 27 Auburn U	38-20
O 4 Texas-El Paso*F	
O 11 Army*F	
O 18 Alabama*U	16-14
O 25 Georgia Tech F	6-6
N 8 Memphis St.*F	17-7
N 15 Mississippi*F	34-14
N 22 Kentucky*F	42-0
N 29 Vanderbilt F	30-0
@ Jackson, MS	

Coach: John Majors • Colors: Orange & White
 Nickname: Volunteers • 1985 Record: W-9, L-1, T-2

UT-CHATTANOOGA

Chattanooga, TN

S 6 Auburn U	
S 13 Eastern Ky. F	
S 20 Tenn. Tech*F	
S 27 Ga. Southern U	14-19
O 11 Appalachian St.*U	0-25
O 18 Citadel*U	34-17
O 25 East Tenn. St.*F	12-0
N 1 Marshall F	38-7
N 8 Western Caro.*U	23-3
N 15 Furman*U	0-28
N 22 Western Ky. U	

Coach: Buddy Nix • Colors: Navy Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Moccasins • 1985 Record: W-6, L-5

TENNESSEE STATE Nashville, TN

A 30 Morris Brown F	
S 6 Middle Tenn.*F	
S 13 Jackson St.*F	44-31
S 27 Florida A&M*F	12-0
O 4 East Texas St.*F	
O 11 Grambling*U	24-31
O 18 Western Ky.*F	17-22
O 25 Morgan St. F	21-0
N 1 Southern U.*F	10-13
N 8 Bethune-Cookman*F	24-17
N 22 Alabama A&M*F	24-14
@ Miami, FL	

Coach: William Thomas • Colors: Blue & White
 Nickname: Tigers • 1985 Record: W-7, L-4

TENNESSEE TECH Cookeville, TN

S 6 Tulsa*U	
S 20 Tenn.-Chattanooga*U	
O 4 Ga. Southern*U	0-34
O 11 Youngstown St. U	16-23
O 18 Morehead St.*F	59-6
O 25 Murray St. U	21-29
N 1 Akron*U	9-27
N 8 Eastern Ky. U	17-35
N 15 Austin Peay*U	20-24
N 22 Middle Tenn. U	12-45

Coach: Jim Ragland • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Golden Eagles • 1985 Record: W-1, L-10

TEXAS Austin, TX

S 13 Stanford*F	38-34
S 20 Missouri F	21-17
O 4 Rice*F	44-16
O 11 Oklahoma*U	7-14
O 18 Arkansas*U	15-13
O 25 Southern Meth.*F	14-44
N 1 Texas Tech F	34-21
N 8 Houston*F	34-24
N 15 Texas Christian F	20-0
N 22 Baylor U	17-10
N 27 Texas A&M*U	10-42
@ Dallas, TX	

Coach: Fred Akers • Colors: Burnt Orange & White
 Nickname: Longhorns • 1985 Record: W-8, L-4

TEXAS-EL PASO El Paso, TX

A 30 Northern Mich.*F	
S 6 Air Force*U	6-48
S 13 New Mexico St.*U	20-22
S 20 Hawaii*U	7-23
S 27 Iowa U	
O 4 Tennessee U	
O 11 New Mexico*U	23-27
O 18 San Diego St.*U	6-34
O 25 Brigham Young U	23-16
N 8 Wyoming U	21-23
N 22 Colorado St.*U	24-41
N 29 Utah*U	19-55

Coach: Bob Stull • Colors: Orange, White & Blue
 Nickname: Miners • 1985 Record: W-1, L-10

TEXAS A&I Kingsville, TX

S 6 Tex. Southern*F	45-7
S 13 North Dakota F	
S 20 E. Central Okla.*F	30-13
O 4 Lamar*U	
O 11 Howard Payne*F	45-0
O 18 East Texas St. F	22-19
O 25 Central St., Okla.*F	21-28
N 1 West Texas St.*U	17-37
N 8 Eastern N.M. F	21-17
N 15 Abilene Christian*F	10-3
N 22 Angelo St.*F	23-20

Coach: Ron Harms • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Javelinas • 1985 Record: W-8, L-3

TEXAS A&M College Station, TX

S 13 Louisiana St.*F	
S 20 North Texas St.*F	
S 27 Southern Miss.*F	
O 4 Texas Tech*F	28-27
O 11 Houston*F	43-16
O 18 Baylor*F	15-20
O 25 Rice*F	43-28
N 1 Southern Meth. F	19-17
N 15 Arkansas*F	10-6
N 22 Texas Christian*F	53-6
N 27 Texas F	42-10
@ Little Rock, AR	

Coach: Jackie Sherrill • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Aggies • 1985 Record: W-10, L-2

TEXAS CHRISTIAN Fort Worth, TX

S 13 Tulane*F	30-13
S 20 Kansas St.*F	24-22
S 27 Southern Meth. F	21-56
O 4 Arkansas U	0-41
O 11 Rice*F	27-34
O 18 North Texas St.*F	14-10
O 25 Baylor*U	0-45
N 1 Houston*F	21-26
N 8 Texas Tech*F	7-63
N 15 Texas*U	0-20
N 22 Texas A&M U	6-53

Coach: Jim Wacker • Colors: Purple & White
 Nickname: Horned Frogs • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

TEXAS SOUTHERN Houston, TX

A 30 Prairie View*F	19-7
S 6 Texas A&I*F	7-45
S 13 Angelo St.*U	6-21
S 20 Southern*U	14-22
S 27 Alabama St.*F	14-24
O 4 Sam Houston St.*U	
O 11 Alcorn St.*U	13-36
O 25 Miss. Valley St.*U	40-59
N 1 Grambling*U	6-30
N 8 Jackson St.*U	7-28
N 15 Bishop F	

Coach: Lionel Taylor • Colors: Maroon & Gray
 Nickname: Tigers • 1985 Record: W-1, L-10

TEXAS TECH Lubbock, TX

S 6 Kansas St.*F	
S 13 Miami, Fla.*U	
S 20 New Mexico*F	32-31
S 27 Baylor*U	0-31
O 4 Texas A&M U	27-28
O 11 Arkansas U	7-30
O 18 Rice F	27-29
N 1 Texas*U	21-34
N 8 Texas Christian U	63-7
N 15 Southern Meth.*U	7-9
N 22 Houston*F	16-17

Coach: David McWilliams • Colors: Scarlet & Black
 Nickname: Red Raiders • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

TOLEDO Toledo, OH

A 30 Florida St.*U	
S 6 Kent State F	10-7
S 13 Wichita St.*F	22-15
S 27 Ball State U	19-23
O 4 Eastern Mich.*F	10-21
O 11 Miami, O. U	14-26
O 18 Northern Ill.*U	3-16
O 25 Ohio F	24-10
N 1 Western Mich.*U	13-18
N 8 Central Mich. U	10-7
N 15 Bowling Green*U	0-21

Coach: Dan Simrell • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Rockets • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

TOWSON STATE Towson, MD

S 6 Buffalo*F	
S 13 Rhode Island U	
S 27 American Int'l F	27-23
O 4 Bucknell*F	
O 11 Liberty*F	
O 18 Morgan St. F	52-8
O 25 Delaware St. F	51-26
N 1 Lehigh*U	
N 8 New Haven*F	7-27
N 15 Indiana, Pa. F	21-21
N 22 James Madison*U	0-13

Coach: Phil Albert • Colors: Gold & White
 Nickname: Tigers • 1985 Record: W-7, L-2, T-1

TULANE New Orleans, LA

S 13 Texas Christian*U	13-30
S 20 Vanderbilt*U	17-24
S 27 Mississippi U	10-27
O 4 Wichita St.*F	
O 11 Florida St.*U	12-38
O 18 Mississippi St.*U	27-31
O 25 Southern Miss.*U	6-24
N 1 SW Louisiana*F	27-17
N 8 Louisville*F	
N 15 Memphis St.*U	21-38
N 29 Louisiana St.*U	19-31

Coach: Mack Brown • Colors: Olive Green & Sky Blue
 Nickname: Green Wave
 1985 Record: W-1, L-10

TULSA Tulsa, OK

A30 Louisiana Tech +*U	
S. 6 Tenn. Tech +*F	
S.20 Oklahoma St. +*U	13-25
S.20 Arkansas U	0-24
S.27 Houston*U	31-24
O. 4 Fullerton St. +*U	
O.11 SW Louisiana*U	
O.18 Central Mich +*F	
N. 1 Wichita St. +*F	42-26
N. 8 New Mexico*F	
N.15 Miami, Fla.*U	

Coach: Don Morton • Colors: Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Golden Hurricane
 1985 Record: W-6, L-5

UCLA Los Angeles, CA

S. 6 Oklahoma U	
S.20 San Diego St.*F	34-16
S.27 Long Beach St. +*F	
O. 4 Arizona St. +*F	40-17
O.11 Arizona +*F	24-19
O.18 California F	34-7
O.25 Washington St. +*F	31-30
N. 1 Oregon St. (α F)	41-0
N. 8 Stanford +*F	34-9
N.15 Washington F	14-21
N.22 Southern Cal. +*F	13-17

(α Portland, OR)
 Coach: Terry Donahue • Colors: Navy Blue & Gold
 Nickname: Bruins • 1985 Record: W-9, L-2, T-1

UTAH Salt Lake City, UT

S.13 San Diego St. +*F	39-37
S.27 Ohio State U	
O. 3 Air Force +*F	15-37
O.11 Wyoming F	37-20
O.18 New Mexico*F	58-49
O.25 Arizona St.*U	27-34
N. 1 Hawaii +*F	29-27
N. 8 Colorado St. +*F	19-21
N.15 Utah State F	34-7
N.22 Brigham Young +*U	28-38
N.29 Texas-El Paso*F	55-19

Coach: Jim Fassel • Colors: Crimson & White
 Nickname: Utes • 1985 Record: W-8, L-4

UTAH STATE Logan, UT

S. 6 Brigham Young U	0-44
S.13 Missouri U	
S.20 Kansas U	
O. 4 New Mexico St. +*F	40-23
O.11 San Jose St.*U	35-32
O.18 Fullerton St.*U	30-32
O.25 Nevada-Las Vegas +*U	7-14
N. 1 Long Beach St. +*U	19-17
N. 8 Pacific, Cal. +*U	7-33
N.15 Utah +*U	7-34
N.22 Fresno St.*U	19-38

Coach: Chuck Shelton • Colors: Navy Blue & White
 Nickname: Aggies • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

VANDERBILT Nashville, TN

S. 6 Alabama U	20-40
S.13 Maryland*U	
S.20 Tulane +*F	24-17
O. 4 Duke +*F	
O.11 Auburn +*U	
O.18 Georgia U	13-13
O.25 Mississippi +*F	7-35
N. 1 Memphis St. +*F	
N. 8 Kentucky U	31-24
N.15 Virginia Tech U	24-38
N.29 Tennessee +*U	0-30

Coach: Walton Brown • Colors: Black & Gold
 Nickname: Commodores
 1985 Record: W-3, L-7, T-1

VIRGINIA Charlottesville, VA

S. 6 South Carolina +*U	
S.13 Navy F	13-17
S.20 Georgia Tech +*F	24-13
S.27 Duke*F	37-14
O. 4 Wake Forest F	20-18
O.11 Clemson +*U	24-27
O.25 Virginia Tech U	10-28
N. 1 William & Mary +*F	
N. 8 North Carolina St. +*F	22-23
N.15 North Carolina U	24-22
N.28 Maryland +*U	21-33

Coach: George Welsh • Colors: Orange & Blue
 Nickname: Cavaliers • 1985 Record: W-6, L-5

VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE

Lexington, VA

S.13 William & Mary F	39-38
S.20 Furman +*U	
S.27 James Madison*U	14-7
O. 4 Marshall +*F	16-21
O.11 Citadel U	14-14
O.18 Richmond U	14-28
O.25 Western Caro. U	30-35
N. 1 Central Florida +*F	
N. 8 Georgia Tech U	
N.15 Appalachian St. +*U	10-26
N.22 East Tenn. St.*F	23-19

Coach: Eddie Williamson • Colors: Red, White, Yellow
 Nickname: Keydets • 1985 Record: W-3, L-7, T-1

VIRGINIA TECH Blacksburg, VA

S. 6 Cincinnati +*T	14-31
S.13 Clemson U	17-20
S.20 Syracuse U	24-14
S.27 East Tenn. St. +*F	
O. 4 West Virginia +*U	9-24
O.11 South Carolina +*U	
O.18 Temple (α U)	
O.25 Virginia +*F	28-10
N. 1 Kentucky +*U	
N. 8 Richmond U	14-24
N.15 Vanderbilt +*F	38-24

Coach: Bill Dooley • Colors: Orange & Maroon
 Nickname: Gobblers, Hokies • 1985 Record: W-6, L-5, (α Norfolk, VA)

WAKE FOREST Winston-Salem, NC

S. 6 Appalachian St. +*F	24-21
S.13 Boston U. +*F	30-0
S.20 North Carolina St.*U	17-20
S.27 Army U	
O. 4 Virginia +*U	18-20
O.11 North Carolina +*U	14-34
O.18 Maryland*U	3-26
N. 1 Clemson +*U	10-26
N. 8 Duke F	27-7
N.15 South Carolina U	
N.22 Georgia Tech +*U	10-41

Coach: Al Groh • Colors: Old Gold & Black
 Nickname: Demon Deacons
 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

WASHINGTON Seattle, WA

S.13 Ohio State +*F	
S.20 Brigham Young +*F	3-31
S.27 Southern Cal. F	20-17
O. 4 California +*F	28-12
O.11 Stanford F	34-0
O.18 Bowling Green +*F	
O.25 Oregon +*F	19-13
N. 1 Arizona St.*F	7-36
N. 8 Oregon St. F	20-21
N.15 UCLA +*U	21-14
N.22 Washington St. F	20-21

Coach: Don James • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Huskies • 1985 Record: W-7, L-5

WASHINGTON STATE

Pullman, WA

S. 6 Nevada-Las Vegas +*F	
S.13 San Jose St. +*F	
S.20 California U	20-19
S.27 Arizona St.*U	16-21
O. 4 Oregon St. +*F	34-0
O.11 Southern Cal. +*U	13-31
O.25 UCLA U	30-31
N. 1 Stanford U	
N. 8 Arizona +*U	7-12
N.15 Oregon F	39-42
N.22 Washington +*U	21-20

Coach: Jim Walden • Colors: Crimson & Gray
 Nickname: Cougars • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

WEBER STATE Ogden, UT

S.13 Adams St. +*F	
S.20 Northern Ariz.*U	37-10
S.27 Portland St. U	45-24
O. 4 Nevada-Reno +*U	12-47
O.11 Montana St. +*U	50-36
O.18 Boise St.*U	21-24
O.25 Idaho St. +*U	46-45
N. 1 Eastern Wash. U	19-31
N. 8 Montana +*U	57-29
N.15 Idaho U	28-31
N.22 Nicholls St. F	

Coach: Mike Pries • Colors: Royal Purple & White
 Nickname: Wildcats • 1985 Record: W-6, L-5

WEST TEXAS STATE

Canyon, TX

S. 6 Troy State +*F	
S.13 Central St. Okla. +*F	
S.20 Louisiana Tech*U	10-20
S.27 Mississippi Col. +*F	
O. 4 Stephen F. Austin*U	
O.11 Angelo St. +*F	12-10
O.18 Howard Payne F	
O.25 East Texas St. +*F	
N. 1 Texas A&M F	37-17
N.15 Eastern N.M. +*F	
N.22 Abilene Christian F	18-25

Coach: Bill Kelly • Colors: Maroon & White
 Nickname: Buffaloes • 1985 Record: W-6, L-3, T-1

WEST VIRGINIA Morgantown, WV

S. 6 Northern Ill. +*F	
S.13 East Carolina*F	
S.20 Maryland +*F	0-28
S.27 Pittsburgh F	10-10
O. 4 Virginia Tech F	24-9
O.11 Miami, Fla. +*U	
O.25 Boston Col. +*F	13-6
N. 1 Penn St. +*L	0-27
N. 8 Rutgers (α F)	27-0
N.15 Louisville F	52-13
N.22 Syracuse +*T	13-10

Coach: Don Nahlen • Colors: Old Gold & Blue
 Nickname: Mountaineers • 1985 Record: W-7, L-3, T-1 (α East Rutherford, NJ)

WESTERN CAROLINA Cullowhee, NC

A.30 Appalachian St. U	14-27
S.13 South Carolina*U	
S.27 Newberry +*F	
O. 4 Auburn U	
O.11 East Tenn. St. +*F	13-3
O.18 Furman F	27-31
O.25 Va. Military +*F	35-30
N. 1 Citadel +*U	3-10
N. 8 Tenn.-Chattanooga*F	3-23
N.15 Marshall +*F	10-10
N.22 North Carolina St. U	

Coach: Bob Waters • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Catamounts • 1985 Record: W-4, L-6, T-1

WESTERN ILLINOIS Macomb, IL

A.30 Kansas St.*U	
S.13 Marquette St. +*F	
S.20 SW Missouri*F	17-27
S.27 Northern Ill.*U	
O. 4 Illinois St.*U	6-18
O.11 Northern Mich. U	14-7
O.18 Eastern Ill. +*U	34-20
O.25 Northern Iowa*U	14-48
N. 1 NW Missouri +*F	
N. 8 Southern Ill. U	14-7
N.15 Sam Houston St. +*U	

Coach: Bruce Craddock • Colors: Purple & Gold
 Nickname: Leathernecks • 1985 Record: W-5, L-5

WESTERN KENTUCKY

Bowling Green, KY

S. 6 Gardner-Webb +*F	
S.13 Livingston +*F	
S.20 Louisville*F	14-23
S.27 Murray St.*F	27-25
O. 4 Eastern Ky. +*U	21-51
O.18 Tennessee St.*U	22-17
O.25 Austin Peay F	
N. 1 Ga. Southern +*F	
N. 8 Boston U. +*F	
N.15 Eastern Ill. F	13-14
N.22 Tenn.-Chattanooga +*F	

Coach: Dave Roberts • Colors: Red & White
 Nickname: Hilltoppers • 1985 Record: W-4, L-7

WESTERN MICHIGAN Kalamazoo, MI

S. 6 Eastern Mich.*F	38-21
S.13 Temple +*U	
S.20 Long Beach St. +*U	
S.27 Michigan St. U	3-7
O. 4 Bowling Green U	7-48
O.11 Central Mich. U	17-24
O.18 Miami, O. +*U	10-10
O.25 Ball State F	34-0
N. 1 Toledo*U	18-13
N. 8 Ohio +*F	15-21
N.15 Kent State +*F	34-3

Coach: Jack Harbaugh • Colors: Brown & Gold
 Nickname: Broncos • 1985 Record: W-4, L-6, T-1

WICHITA STATE Wichita, KS

S. 6 San Francisco St. +*F	
S.13 Toledo*U	15-22
S.20 Morehead St. +*F	
S.27 Iowa State U	
O. 4 Tulane*U	
O.11 Central Florida +*F	
O.18 Florida St.*U	
O.25 Cincinnati U	
N. 1 Tulsa U	26-42
N. 8 Illinois St. +*U	0-26
N.15 Arizona St.*U	

Coach: Ron Chismar • Colors: Yellow & Black
 Nickname: Shockers • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

WILLIAM & MARY Williamsburg, VA

S. 6 Colgate +*F	
S.13 Va. Military +*U	38-39
S.20 Bucknell U	
O. 4 Harvard +*F	21-14
O.11 Lehigh T	31-29
O.18 Delaware F	17-16
O.25 James Madison U	31-14
N. 1 Virginia U	
N. 8 Princeton +*F	33-28
N.15 Holy Cross +*U	
N.22 Richmond U	28-17

Coach: Jimmie Laycock • Colors: Green, Gold, Silver
 Nickname: Indians • 1985 Record: W-7, L-4

WISCONSIN Madison, WI

S. 6 Hawaii*F	
S.13 Northern Ill. +*F	38-17
S.20 Nevada-Las Vegas*F	26-23
S.27 Wyoming +*F	41-17
O. 4 Michigan +*U	6-33
O.11 Iowa U	13-23
O.18 Northwestern F	14-17
O.25 Illinois +*U	25-38
N. 1 Indiana F	31-20
N. 8 Minnesota +*U	18-27
N.15 Ohio State +*U	12-7
N.22 Michigan St. U	7-41

Coach: Jim Hillis • Colors: Cardinal & White
 Nickname: Badgers • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

WYOMING Laramie, WY

S. 6 Baylor +*U	18-39
S.13 Pacific, Cal. +*F	
S.20 Air Force U	7-49
S.27 Wisconsin U	17-41
O. 4 Iowa State F	
O.11 Utah +*U	20-37
O.18 Brigham Young +*U	0-59
O.25 Colorado St. U	19-30
N. 1 New Mexico +*F	16-41
N. 8 Texas-El Paso +*F	23-21
N.15 San Diego St.*U	41-20
N.29 Hawaii*U	18-26

Coach: Dennis Erickson • Colors: Brown & Yellow
 Nickname: Cowboys • 1985 Record: W-3, L-8

YALE New Haven, CT

S.20 Brown F	10-9
S.27 Connecticut +*F	
O. 4 Army +*U	16-59
O.11 Colgate +*U	
O.18 Columbia +*F	28-12
O.25 Pennsylvania U	7-23
N. 1 Dartmouth +*F	17-17
N. 8 Cornell F	14-20
N.15 Princeton +*F	12-21
N.22 Harvard F	17-6

Coach: Carmen Cozza • Colors: Yale Blue and White
 Nickname: Elis, Bulldogs
 1985 Record: W-4, L-4, T-1

YOUNGSTOWN STATE Youngstown, OH

S. 6 Nicholls St. +*U	
S.13 Eastern Mich. +*F	22-27
S.20 Northeastern T	23-18
S.27 Southern Ill.	
O.11 Tenn. Tech +*F	23-16
O.18 Austin Peay*U	35-14
O.25 Eastern Ky. U	29-36
N. 1 Middle Tenn. +*U	21-28
N. 8 Murray St. U	
N.15 Morehead St. F	20-17
N.21 Akron +*U	5-30

Coach: Jim Tressel • Colors: Scarlet & White
 Nickname: Penguins • 1985 Record: W-5, L-6

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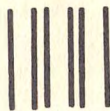
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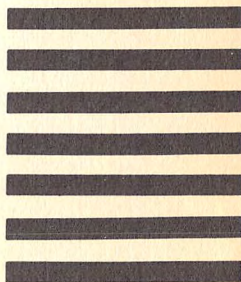
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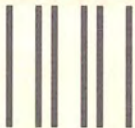
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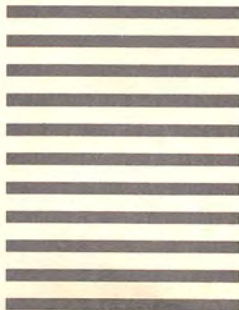
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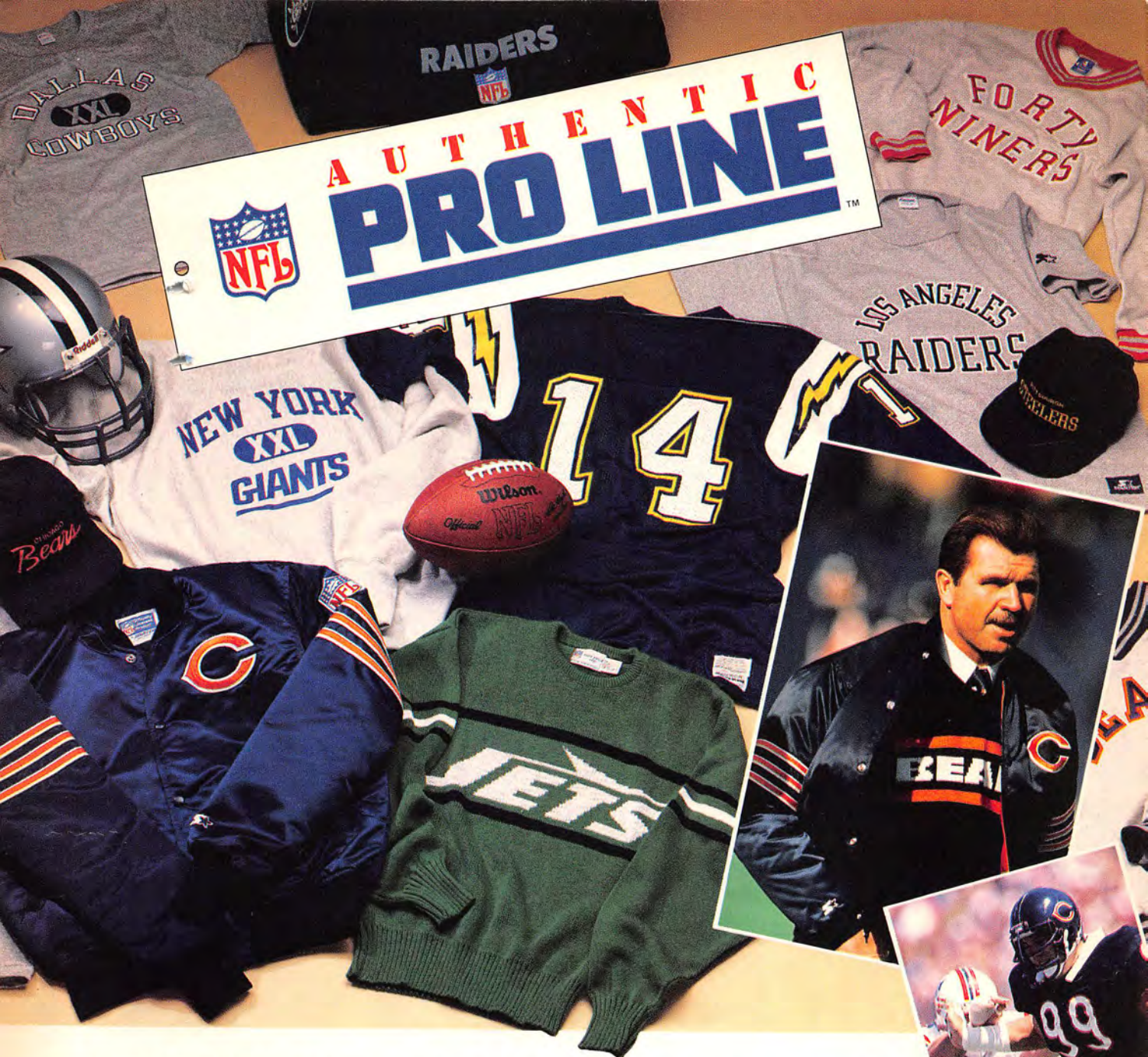
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